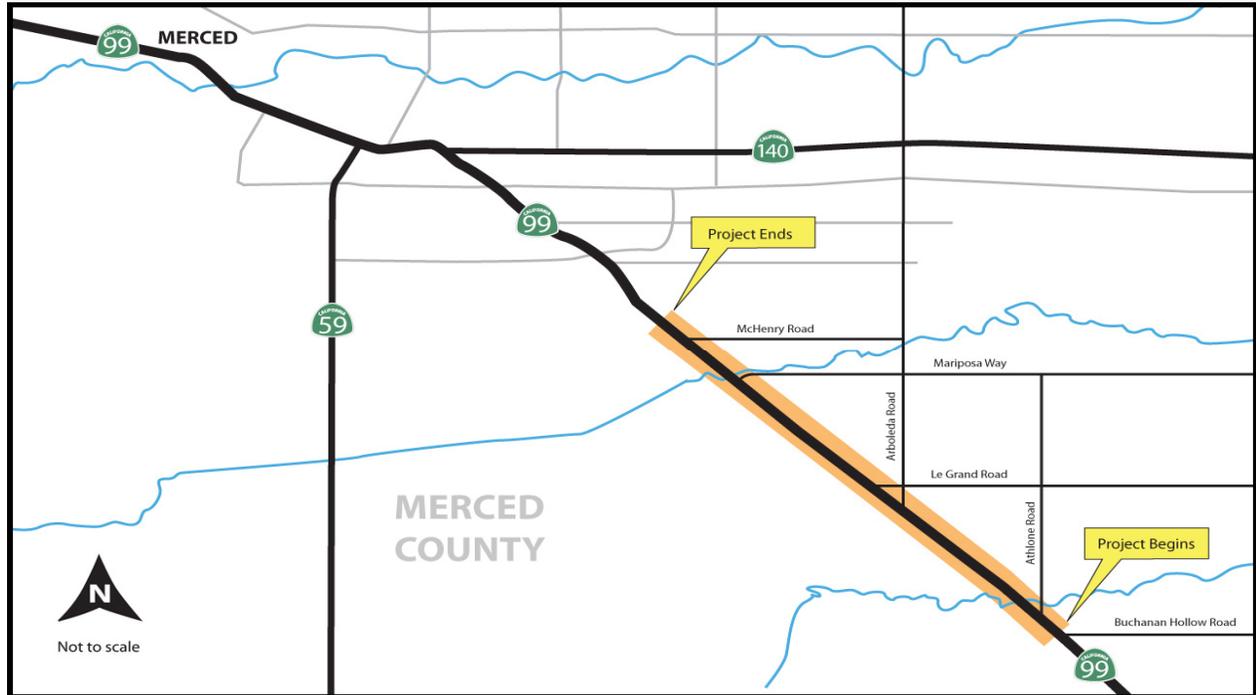


ARBOLEDA DRIVE FREEWAY PROJECT



(State Route 99, Merced County)



The California Department of Transportation will construct a new interchange on State Route 99 at Arboleda Drive and convert a four-lane expressway to a six-lane freeway from Buchanan Hollow Road to the Miles Creek Overflow.

This \$128.1 million project supports Caltrans State Route 99 Corridor Enhancement Master Plan and the department's endeavors to widen the freeway to six lanes from Marysville to Bakersfield.

The project is aided by the 2006 voter-approved transportation bond, Proposition 1B, which provided \$91.7 million. The project will:

- Ease congestion
- Improve mobility
- Decrease travel times for all motorists
- Reduce maintenance costs
- And enhance safety for both commuters and recreational traffic.

Construction began on June 27, 2012, and is expected to be completed June 2015.

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