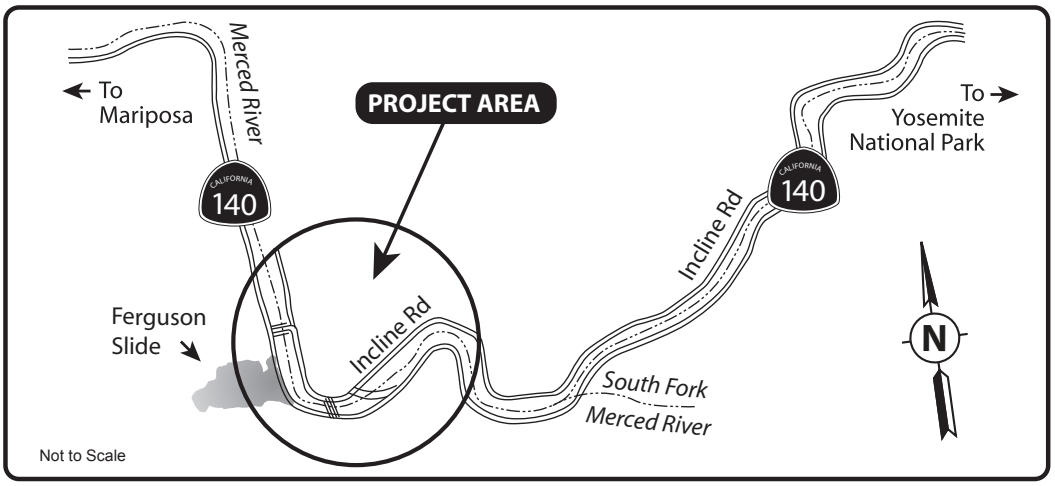
Public Notice

Announcement of Public Information Meeting/Open House

for the State Route 140 Ferguson Slide Permanent Restoration Project



WHEN AND WHERE?

Date: May 22, 2008
Time: 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Place: El Portal Community Center
"Adjacent to the El Portal Post Office"
El Portal, CA 95318

WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), as assigned by the Federal Highway Administration, is proposing to permanently restore and reopen the section of State Route 140 that was damaged by the Ferguson rockslide. Motorists are currently using a temporary bypass route to travel this section of State Route 140. Restoration of the original route would eliminate inconvenient detours and extended commute times to residences, businesses, and workers in the area. Restoration of the original route would also give travelers a direct route to Yosemite National Park and other destinations along State Route 140. Eight build alternatives and the no-build alternative are being considered.

WHY THIS NOTICE?

Caltrans is in the process of preparing a draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement based on comments received during the circulation of the Initial Study/Environmental Assessment. As part of this process, new alternatives are currently being analyzed. The Public Information Meeting/Open House will give you the opportunity to learn more about these alternatives and provide input.

WHAT IS AVAILABLE?

Design alternatives and other displays explaining the project development process will be available for viewing. Caltrans staff specialists in engineering and environmental planning will be available to discuss your concerns and answer your questions. No formal presentation will be made. Please come by between the hours of 4:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

CONTACT

For more information concerning this project, please contact Grace Magsayo, Project Manager, at 209-948-7976, or grace_magsayo@dot.ca.gov. You may also contact Juergen Vespermann, Senior Environmental Planner, at 559-243-8157 or juergen_vespermann@dot.ca.gov. If you cannot attend the meeting but have comments, questions, and/or concerns regarding this project, please submit them in writing to Caltrans, Environmental Planning, attention Juergen Vespermann, 2015 East Shields Avenue, Suite 100, Fresno, CA 93726. For other state matters, please contact District 10 Public Affairs at 209-948-7977.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals who require special accommodations (American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documentation in alternative formats, etc.) are required to contact the District 10 Public Affairs Office at 209-948-7977 at least 7 days prior to the scheduled meeting date. Telecommunications Devices for the Deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service TTY line at 1-800-735-2929.