

Station One



WELCOME

TO CALDECOTT IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PUBLIC HEARING

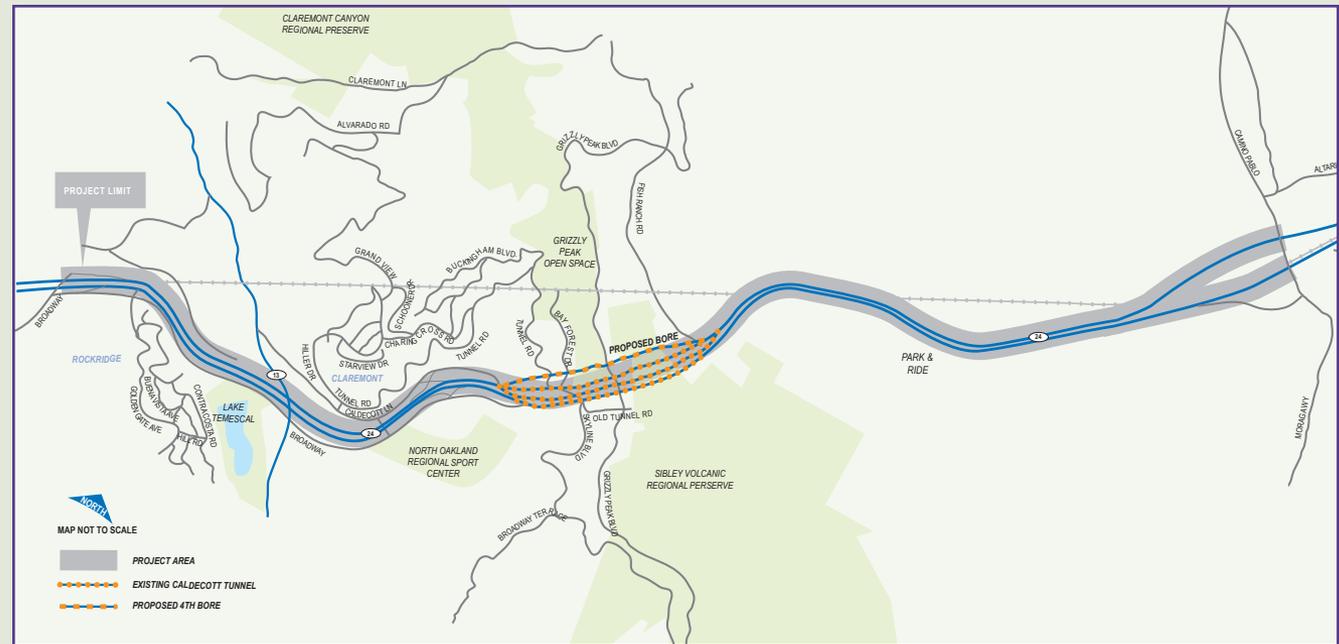


PROJECT AREA & GOALS

The Caldecott Improvement Project proposes to alleviate traffic congestion along State Route 24 by adding a fourth bore to the Caldecott Tunnels.

The goals of the Caldecott Improvement Project are to:

- Improve mobility for motorists and emergency crews along State Route 24 via the Caldecott tunnels
- Reduce off-peak delays and improve travel times
- Eliminate the need for daily tunnel lane reversals and merges
- Enhance safety for the traveling public and Caltrans maintenance workers
- Respond to Regional Measure 2 and Contra Costa County Measure J

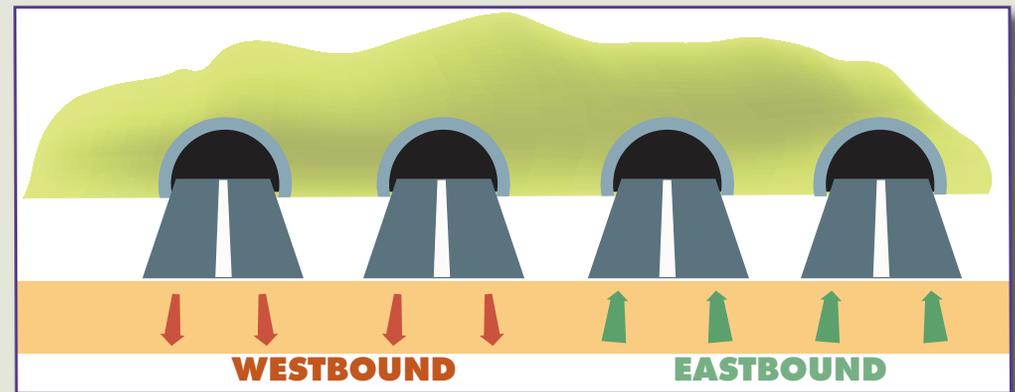


PROJECT ALTERNATIVES

Two-Lane Alternative (2N)

This alternative envisions construction of a new tunnel with two westbound lanes and shoulders on an alignment north of the existing tunnels. The proposed tunnel would have:

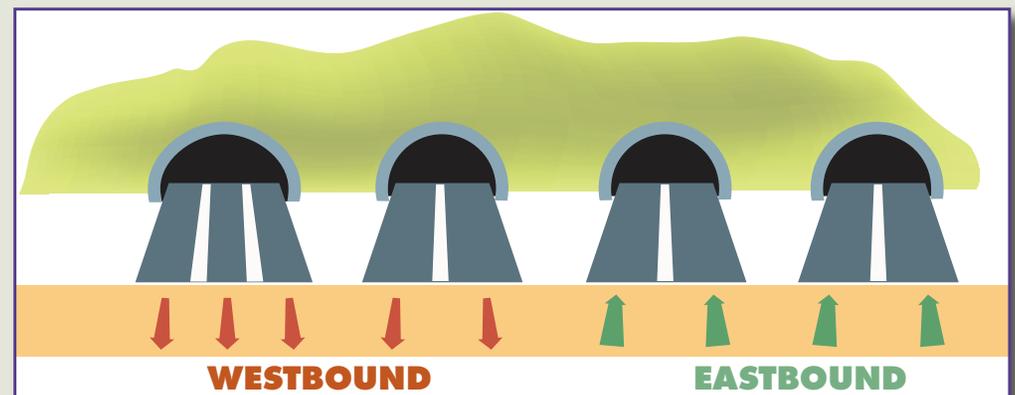
- 2 lanes
- Shoulders on each side of the tunnel
- Emergency walkways



Three-Lane Alternative (3N)

This alternative envisions construction of a new tunnel with three westbound lanes and shoulders on an alignment north of the existing tunnels. The proposed tunnel would have:

- 3 lanes
- Shoulders on each side of the tunnel
- Emergency walkways



PROJECT ALTERNATIVES

No-Build Alternative

This alternative represents existing conditions with no project-related construction. It would not provide any improvements to existing State Route 24, nor would it provide any relief for traffic congestion and delays, which are expected to increase substantially during the next twenty years. The No-Build Alternative provides the baseline against which other alternatives are compared.

Existing Conditions

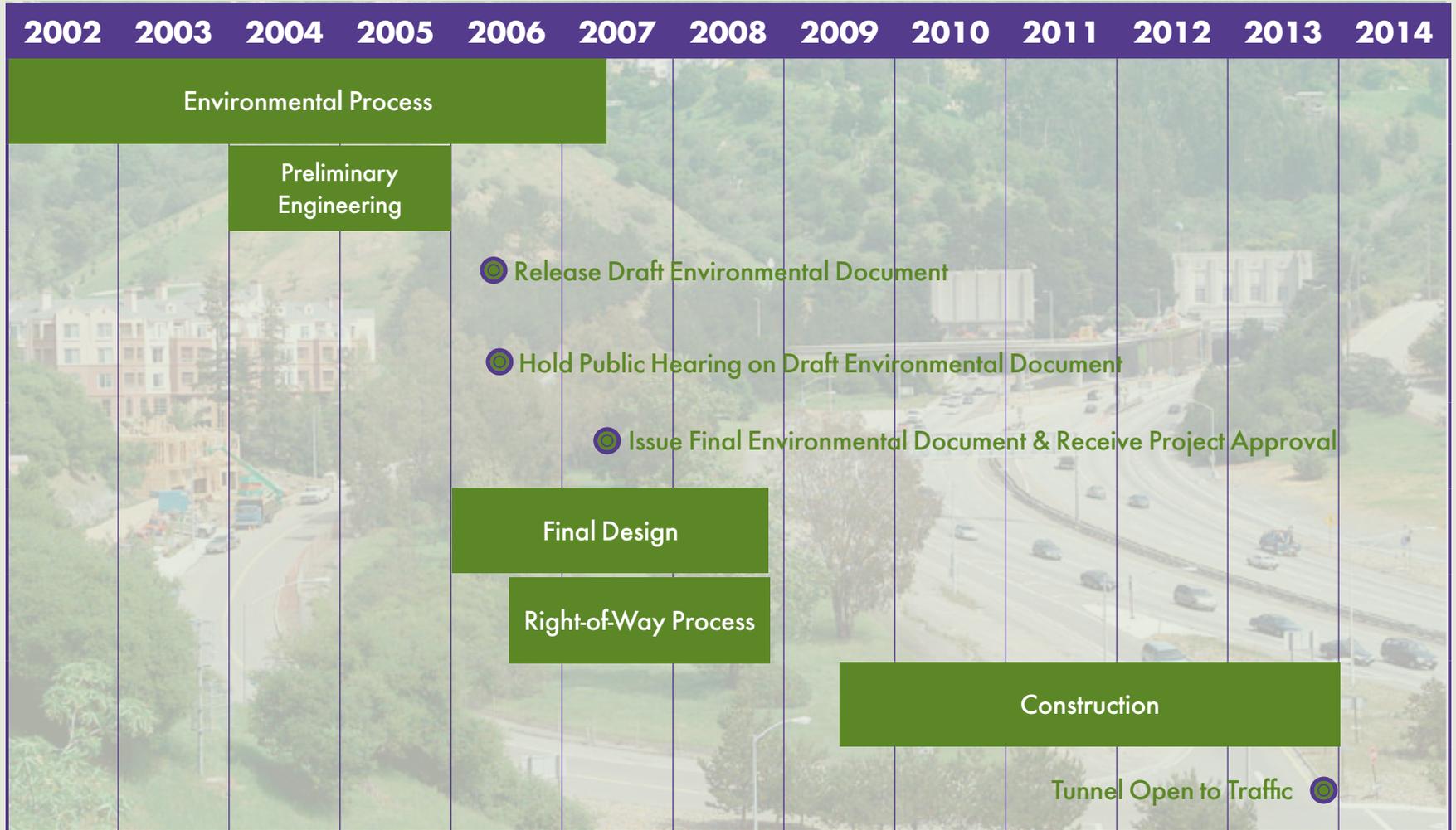
AM / PEAK OPERATIONS



PM / PEAK OPERATIONS



TARGETED PROJECT SCHEDULE

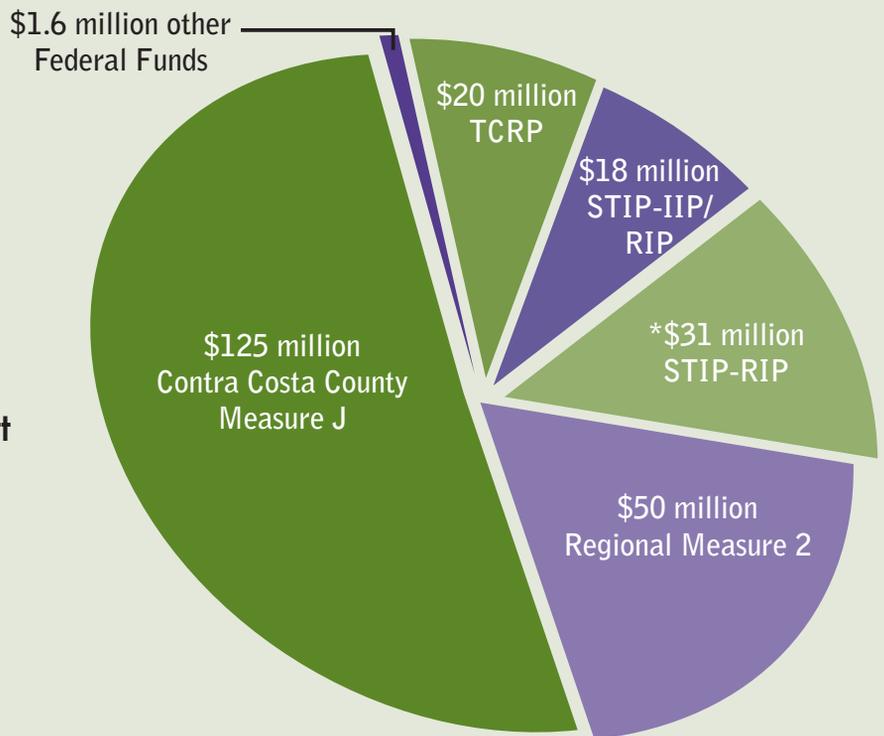


Regional Measure 2

In March 2004, Bay Area voters approved Regional Measure 2 with 56% of the vote. Regional Measure 2 raises the toll on the nine State-owned toll bridges in the San Francisco Bay Area by \$1.00, thereby generating funds for regional transportation projects including \$50 million for construction of the fourth bore of the Caldecott Tunnel.

Contra Costa County Measure J

In November 2004, voters in Contra Costa County passed Measure J with 71% of the vote. Measure J, a half-cent sales tax to pay for specific transportation projects, will generate \$125 million for construction of the Caldecott Tunnel fourth bore.



* Includes \$29M STIP-RIP still to be programmed by California Transportation Commission