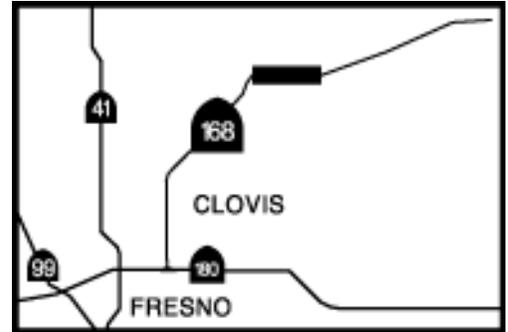




ROUTE 168 SIERRA FREEWAY CONSTRUCTION

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Project Purpose: The Route 168 freeway project will reduce the amount of traffic on city streets in the north-east portion of the Fresno/Clovis metropolitan area. The project will help curb traffic congestion, improve travel times and increase motorists' safety.

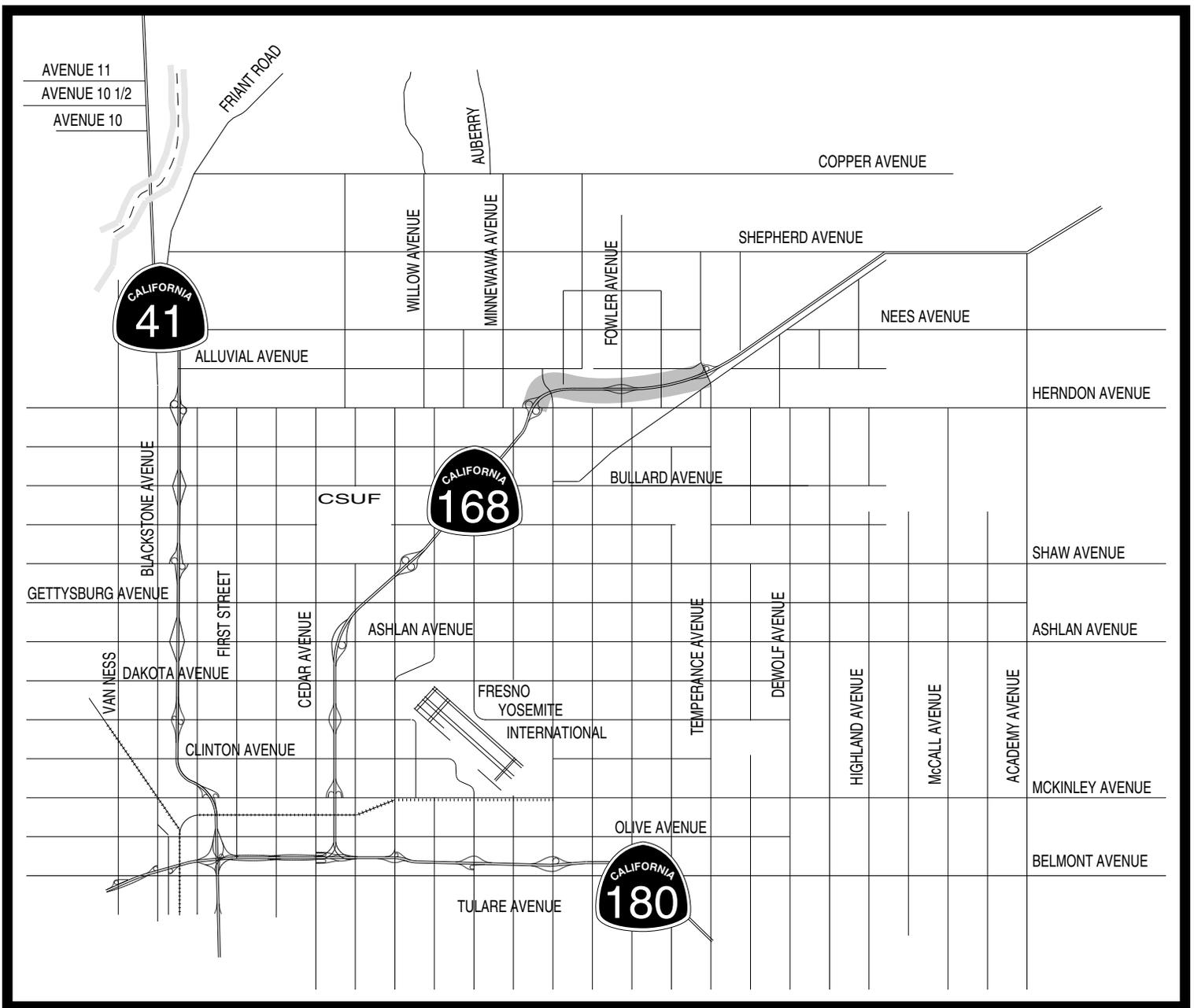
Description: The freeway will be constructed over a 12-mile stretch. A portion of the Route 180 Freeway has been constructed and is open to traffic from Route 41 to Chestnut Avenue (see Sequoia/Kings Canyon 180 "Fact Sheet"). Route 168 has been constructed as a six-lane freeway from Route 180 in the south to Herndon Avenue, and will be a four-lane freeway from Herndon east to Temperance Avenue. The segment from Temperance Avenue to Shepherd Avenue is a four-lane expressway. Interchanges are at McKinley, Shields, Ashlan, Shaw, Bullard, Herndon, and Temperance Avenues. An interchange is being constructed at Fowler Avenue. Additional access is at the signalized intersection at Tollhouse Road, near Nees Avenue, and at Shepherd Avenues. Pedestrian crossings have been constructed at Princeton and Weldon Avenues. The project will feature elevated and depressed portions of roadway at the following locations:

Elevated	Route 180 from Route 41 to Millbrook Avenue
Depressed	Millbrook to Barton Avenue
Elevated	Barton to Chestnut
Elevated	Route 168 from Route 180 to Weldon
Depressed	Weldon to north of Pontiac Way
Elevated	North of Pontiac to north of Shaw
Depressed	North of Shaw to Second Street
Elevated	Second to Marion Avenue
Depressed	Marion to east of Armstrong Avenue
Elevated	East of Armstrong to Locan Avenue

Construction Cost: \$140 million

Funding Sources: Primary funding is provided by the Fresno County Transportation Authority Measures C sales tax revenues, supplemented with federal and state gas tax money.

Project Map On Back



Construction Phase	Cost	Begin/End
SR-180 to Shields	\$23 Million	Completed
Shields to Ashlan	\$22 Million	Completed
Ashlan to Bullard	\$34 Million	Completed
Bullard to Herndon	\$15 Million	Completed
Herndon to Temperance	\$37 Million	1999/2001
Temperance to Shepherd	\$9 Million	Open

 Project Limits