

## Community Based Transportation Planning Grants

### Folsom South Canal Multi-Modal Corridor Transportation Plan

- **Grant Recipient:** City of Rancho Cordova
- **County:** Sacramento
- **Project Area** – Rancho Cordova and Sacramento County

**Project Focus** – The area south of US Highway 50 (US 50) and east of Sunrise Boulevard in the City of Rancho Cordova (City), Sacramento County (County), is targeted for explosive growth in the next decade. Both US 50 east of Downtown Sacramento, and Sunrise Boulevard south of US 50 are slated for significant new residential and commercial development. Commute travel on US 50 is already heavily congested with extensive periods of stop-and-go traffic, as is Sunrise Boulevard south of US 50. The congestion is beginning to impact existing commercial developments along Sunrise Boulevard. Currently planned transportation improvements alone will not meet the mobility needs created by the new growth. The Folsom South Canal (Canal), owned by the Bureau of Reclamation, flows south from US 50 through the high growth areas. The Bureau of Reclamation has agreed that the Canal could contribute to the region as a multi-modal transportation corridor

**Project Goals** - The Canal corridor is strategically located in the new growth areas south of US 50 in the City and the County.

Development of the Canal as a multi-modal transportation corridor would immediately provide new transportation options to approximately 15,000 commuters, and it would ultimately provide new transportation options to a minimum of 50,000 commuters.

**Community Outreach** – Public participation and input will be a vital part of the project. Native Americans will be a part of the outreach efforts, as individuals, members of tribal communities, and as Tribal Governments. Input will be sought in development of the Resource Management Plan, as well as in helping to identify historic sites along the Canal where educational opportunities relating to Native American heritage and culture can be memorialized.

**Project Outcome** - The Corridor Plan describes and analyzes existing conditions. It also addresses constraints and opportunities. While it is a significant document, it is still considered a preliminary plan. Key decisions about management and funding must be resolved before a more comprehensive, deliberate document can be created to guide the future of the Canal Corridor.

#### **Planning Goals Realized** -

- Link housing, transportation, and land-use planning;
- Increase community livability.

