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I-5/SR 56 Interchange Project Fact Sheet

The Project

Since 2000, the City of San Diego, SANDAG and Caltrans have been studying the Interstate 5/ State Route 56 (I-5/SR 56) interchange in an effort to improve local and regional traffic. This regional interchange connects two of San Diego's most critical north-to-south and east-to-west freeways. The I-5/SR 56 Interchange Project proposes to improve the traffic operations on I-5 between Del Mar Heights Road and Carmel Valley Road, and on SR 56 between I-5 and Carmel Country Road. Project alternatives include improvements to local streets, the addition of auxiliary lanes along I-5 and SR 56, interchange improvements, or southbound-to-eastbound and westbound-to-northbound freeway connector ramps.



Project area shown above.

Project Status

A Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR)/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) was released in May 2012 for public review. The Draft EIR/EIS is a direct result of more than ten years of collaboration between the City, agencies, and community. Five alternatives (four build and one no build) are included in the Draft EIR/EIS, which analyzes environmental, air quality, visual, and other impacts. Caltrans is currently studying the project alternatives and expects to release the Final EIR/EIS in mid-2016. At that time, the Preferred Alternative will be announced and documented in the Final EIR/EIS.



Project Schedule and Funding



Final EIR/EIS Released

Mid-2016

Funding Sources

Federal City of San Diego Local (*TransNet*)

Contractor

TBD

Total Project Cost

TBD

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