



Public Notice



Announcement Of Public Information Meeting/Open House

South Coast HOV Project on U.S. Highway 101

WHEN AND WHERE? (2 dates)

Carpinteria

Date: **Tuesday, July 7, 2009**
 Time: **5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
 (Brief Presentation at 6:30 p.m.)
 Place: **Canalino Elementary School**
 1480 Linden Avenue,
 Carpinteria, California

Montecito

Date: **Wednesday, July 8, 2009**
 Time: **5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.**
 (Brief Presentation at 6:30 p.m.)
 Place: **Montecito Country Club**
 920 Summit Rd,
 Santa Barbara, California



WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has initiated environmental studies associated with a project that would add one high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction on US 101 from 0.44 mile south of Carpinteria Creek in the City of Carpinteria to Sycamore Creek in the City of Santa Barbara. The project is 10.3 miles in length.

The proposed project would result in a six-lane freeway within the project limits. A no-build alternative and three build alternatives are currently proposed for evaluation. The added lanes are expected to be part-time HOV lanes, meaning that the lanes would be restricted to high occupancy vehicles (e.g., carpools and buses) during weekday peak periods and open to all traffic during other periods. It is anticipated that the project generally will be built within the existing public (state highway and local street) right-of-way.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

The public notice serves as an announcement that Caltrans will hold a meeting to:

- Discuss the project need and alternatives considered to provide an HOV lane on US 101 within the project limits.
- Provide a forum where you can hear more information about the project and express your verbal and written comments/concerns to Caltrans staff about the project and its relationship to your local community.
- Provide the public an opportunity to meet the project team.

Staff will be available to answer specific questions about the project.

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

We encourage you to review the informational displays and listen to the staff presentations about the project purpose and need. During and at the conclusion of the meeting we encourage you to make comments either in written form (by way of comment cards), or verbally. Written comments will also be accepted via letters or email through August 9, 2009.

CONTACT

Please provide your comments at the public meeting or in a letter to Matt Fowler, Environmental Analysis Branch Chief, Caltrans, 50 Higuera Street, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401, or by email to matt_c_fowler@dot.ca.gov. For more project information, contact the Project Manager, Scott Eades, Caltrans, at (805) 549-3144. For all other State Highway matters, please contact Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at (805) 549-3318.

SPANISH INTERPRETER

Individuals who require a Spanish Language interpreter are required to contact District 5 Public Affairs Office at (805) 549-3318 at least 7 days prior to scheduled informational meeting date.

SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS

Individuals who require special accommodation (e.g., American Sign Language interpreter, accessible seating, documentation in alternate forms, etc.) are required to contact District 5 Public Affairs Office at (805) 549-3318 at least 7 days prior to scheduled informational meeting date. Telecommunication Devices for the deaf (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service TDD at 1-800-735-2929 or Voice Line at 1-800-735-2922.