

# Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

CTC Meeting: June 10-11, 2009

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Action Item

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Subject: **NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT  
ROUTE 17/280/880 IN SANTA CLARA COUNTY**

## **ISSUE:**

The California Transportation Commission (Commission) is being asked to review and comment at its June 10-11, 2009 Commission meeting on the following Notice of Preparation:

- 04-SCI-17/280/880, PM 13.8/13.94, PM 4.5/6.0, PM 0.0/1.0 - Route 17/280/880 in Santa Clara County. Reconfigure the Route 17/880/Stevens Creek Boulevard interchange, and construct on- and off-ramps at Interstate 280/880 connector and roadway improvements in the city of San Jose.

## **PROGRAMMING:**

The project will modify the Route 17/Interstate 280/Interstate 880 freeway, as well as two adjacent interchanges at Interstate 880/Stevens Creek Boulevard and Interstate 280/Winchester Boulevard. The project is not fully funded. Likely funding sources include federal earmark, as well as local funding from the City of San Jose and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Agency. The total cost of the project is estimated between \$130,000,000 and \$150,000,000. Assuming the availability of funding, construction is estimated to begin in Fiscal Year 2010-11.

## **ALTERNATIVES BEING CONSIDERED:**

The Environmental Impact Report (EIR) will evaluate the following alternatives:

### **No Build Alternative:**

The No-Build Alternative proposes to maintain the existing conditions without any alterations.

### **Build Alternative:**

This alternative proposes to reconfigure the Route 17/880/Stevens Creek Boulevard interchange, construct on- and off-ramps at I-280/880 connector, and roadway improvements.

**POTENTIAL SIGNIFICANT ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS:**

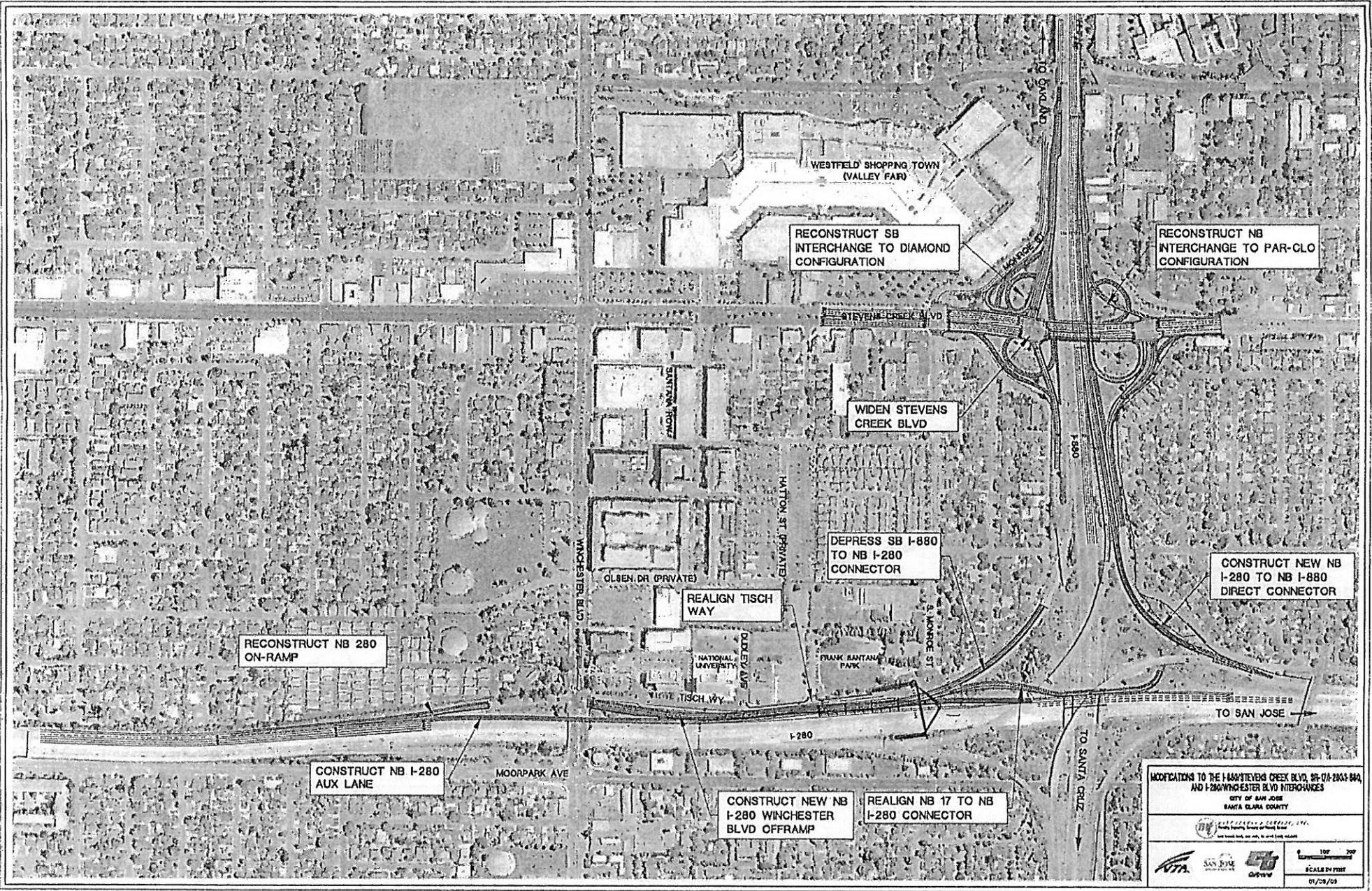
- Community Impacts – public controversy and changes in the local street traffic patterns and access to adjacent neighborhoods

An EIR will be prepared for the project because of potentially significant impacts to the above resources.

**PROPOSED MEASURES TO MINIMIZE HARM:**

Proposed measures to minimize harm include minimization of tree/vegetation removal, minimization of project footprint, and traffic management plan. Additional measures will be developed during the project development process.

Attachment - Map



**MODIFICATIONS TO THE I-880/STEVENS CREEK BLVD, SR-07-2003-00A, AND I-280/WINCHESTER BLVD INTERCHANGES**  
 CITY OF SAN JOSE  
 SANTA CLARA COUNTY

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