

Memorandum

To: CHAIR AND COMMISSIONERS

Date: June 10, 2010

From: BIMLA G. RHINEHART
Executive Director

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Action

Ref: Negative Declaration for the State Highway 9/Austin Way Safety Improvement Project (Resolution E-10-63)

ISSUE: Should the Commission, as a Responsible Agency, accept the Negative Declaration (ND) for the State Highway 9/Austin Way Safety Improvement Project (project) in Santa Clara County and approve the project for future consideration of funding?

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends that the Commission accept the ND and approve the project for future consideration of funding.

BACKGROUND: The City of Saratoga (City) is the CEQA lead agency for the project. The project is designed to encourage greater use of non-motorized travel along the corridor by addressing key safety concerns. The project includes safety improvements at the intersection of State Route 9 and Austin Way and bicycle safety improvements along the State Route 9 road corridor from Saratoga Avenue in Saratoga to Los Gatos Boulevard in Los Gatos.

On May 10, 2010 the City found that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment and mitigation measures are not required. On June 7, 2010 the City confirmed that the scope of work set forth in the ND is consistent with the scope of work programmed by the Commission in the Proposition 116 Program.

The project is estimated to cost \$536,500 and is programmed with State Proposition 116 (\$460,851) and Local (\$75,649) funds. Construction is estimated to begin in fiscal year 2010/11.

Attachments

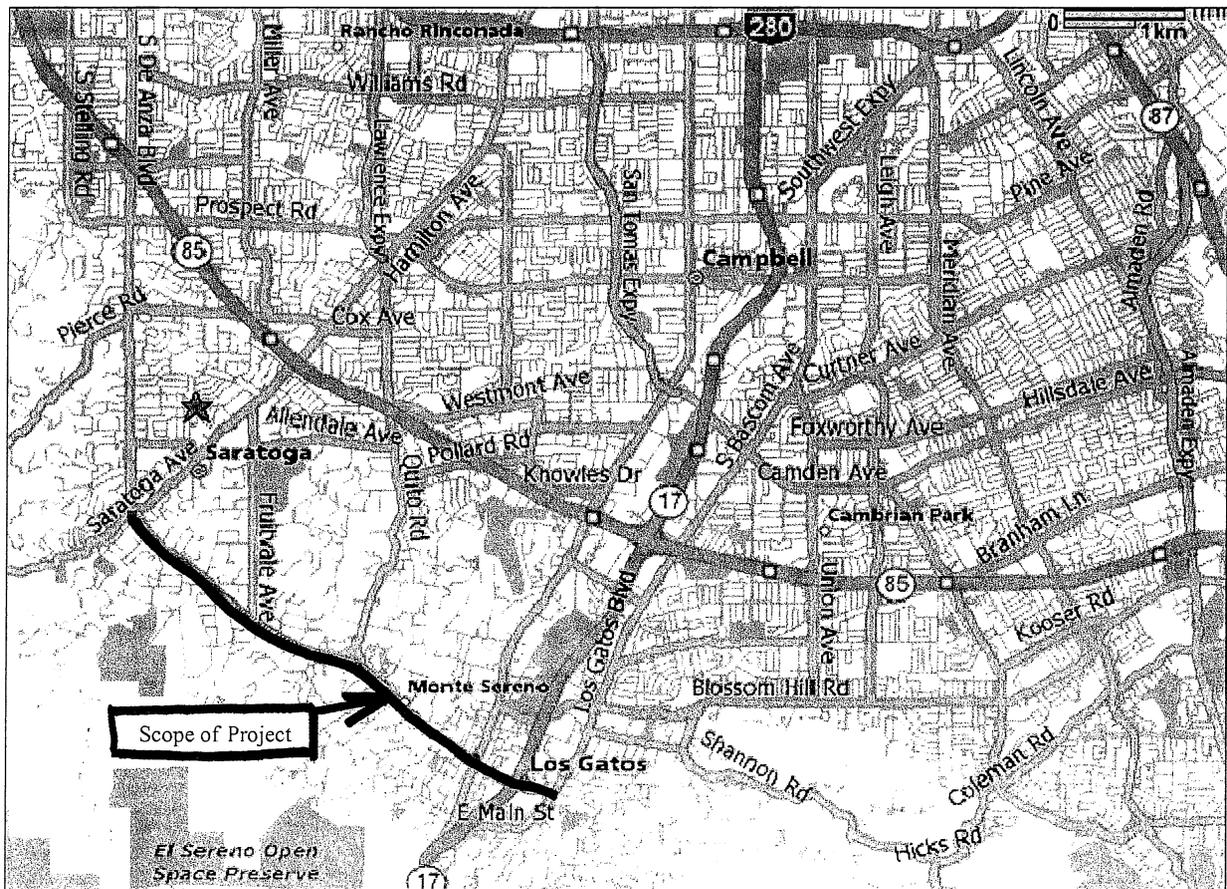
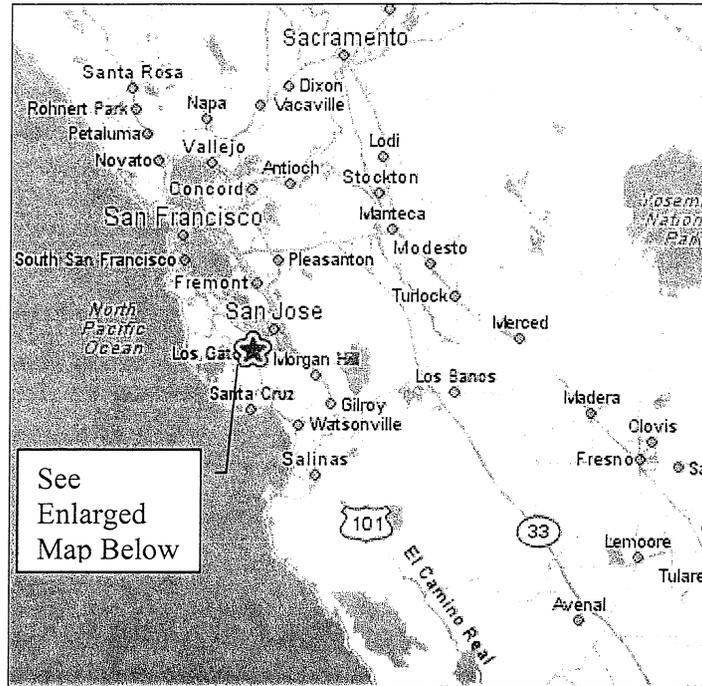
- Resolution E-10-63
- Project Location

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- 1.1 **WHEREAS**, the City of Saratoga (City) has completed a Negative Declaration pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and the CEQA Guidelines for the following project:
 - State Highway 9/Austin Way Safety Improvement Project
- 1.2 **WHEREAS**, the City has certified that the Negative Declaration has been completed pursuant to CEQA and the State CEQA Guidelines for its implementation; and
- 1.3 **WHEREAS**, the project will construct safety improvements at the intersection of State Route 9 and Austin Way and bicycle safety improvements along the State Route 9 road corridor to encourage greater use of non-motorized travel; and
- 1.4 **WHEREAS**, the California Transportation Commission, as a Responsible Agency, has considered the information contained in the Negative Declaration; and
- 1.5 **WHEREAS**, the City found that the proposed project would not have a significant effect on the environment; and
- 1.6 **WHEREAS**, the City approved the Negative Declaration.
- 2.1 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the California Transportation Commission does hereby accept the Negative Declaration and approve the above referenced project to allow for future consideration of funding.

State Highway 9/Austin Way Safety Improvement Project



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Improvements located mainly at SR9/Austin Way intersection

