

Announcement of Public Hearing (Open Forum)

Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR)/Environmental Assessment (EA) Available for the I-5 Managed Lanes Project (Red Hill Avenue to Orange County/Los Angeles County Line)





WHAT'S BEING PLANNED?

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 12 is proposing managed lanes improvements in both directions on Interstate (I) 5. The improvements would modify the existing high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes within the proposed Project limits to address HOV lane degradation and operational deficiencies. The proposed Project limits on I-5 extend from Red Hill Avenue (Post Mile [PM] 28.9) to the Orange County/Los Angeles (OC/LA) County line (12-ORA-5 PM 44.4) in the cities of Irvine, Tustin, Santa Ana, Orange, Anaheim, Fullerton, Buena Park, La Mirada, and Santa Fe Springs and include implementing associated signage (including advance signage on adjacent arterials) and tolling infrastructure. Four alternatives, including three Build Alternatives and the No Build Alternative, are under consideration.

WHY THIS PUBLIC NOTICE?

Caltrans has studied the effects this Project may have on the environment. Our studies show it will have significant impacts related to induced demand/vehicle miles traveled. The report that explains these findings is called an Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment (EIR/EA). This public notice is to tell you of the availability of the Draft EIR/EA for you to read and provide comments. A hearing will be held to give you an opportunity to talk about certain design features of the Project with Caltrans staff before the final design is selected.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE?

The Draft EIR/EA is available for public review and comment at https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-12/district-12-programs/district-12-environmental/i-5-managed-lanes-project and at the following locations:

- Caltrans District 12, 1750 E. 4th Street #100, Santa Ana, CA 92705
- Tustin Library, 345 E. Main Street, Tustin, CA 92780
- Santa Ana Main Library, 26 Civic Plaza, Santa Ana, CA 92701
- Orange Main Library, 407 E. Chapman Avenue, Orange, CA 92866
- Anaheim Central Library, 500 W. Broadway, Anaheim, CA 92805
- Fullerton Public Library, 353 W. Commonwealth Avenue, Fullerton, CA 92832
- Buena Park Public Library, 7150 La Palma Avenue, Buena Park, CA 90620
- OC Public Library, Heritage Park Regional Branch, 14361 Yale Avenue, Irvine, CA 92604

WHERE DO YOU COME IN?

Have the potential impacts been addressed? Do you have information that should be included? Your comments will become part of the public record. You have the opportunity to attend the public hearing (open forum) and ask questions, receive information, and share comments with Caltrans staff about the proposed Project, the findings, and processing the Project as the proposed EIR/EA. If you cannot attend the hearing, you can submit your comments in any of the following formats:

- Online comment form at the Caltrans website: https://dot.ca.gov/caltrans-near-me/district-12/district-12-programs/district-12-environmental/i-5-managed-lanes-project.
- Project email to I-5ManagedLanesProject@dot.ca.gov with the subject line, "I-5 Managed Lanes Project."
- Regular mail to Jayna Harris, Associate/Senior Environmental Planner, 3210 El Camino Real, Suite 100, Irvine, CA 92602.
- Court reporter during our public hearing (open forum).

Comments will be accepted beginning June 5, 2023, and concluding no later than 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 20, 2023.

WHEN AND WHERE?

The in-person public hearing (open forum) will take	The virtual public hearing (open forum) will take place at:
place at:	Location: via Zoom at https://bit.ly/I5MLProject
Location: Caltrans District 12, 1750 E. 4th Street,	Location. Ma zoom ar mips.//bit.iy/is/iterioject
Santa Ana, CA 92705	Date: Thursday, June 29, 2023
Date: Wednesday, June 28, 2023	Time: 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.
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CONTACT?

For more information about this study or any transportation matter, call Caltrans at (657) 328-6000. To request alternative accommodations for accessing project information or for attending public hearings, please contact the Caltrans District 12 Public Information Office at (657) 328-6000. TDD users may contact the California Relay Service Line at 1 (800) 735-2929 or the Voice Line at 1 (800) 735-2922. Requests for alternative accommodations to attend public hearings must be made 15 days prior to the hearings.