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I-710 Corridor Project

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Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) on the I-710 Corridor Project Released for 60-day Public Review

Los Angeles – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in cooperation with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro), the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach, and the Interstate 5 Joint Powers Authority have released the Draft EIR/EIS on the I-710 Corridor Project for a 60-day public review.

The environmental review is looking at proposals that would improve Interstate 710 (I-710) in Los Angeles County between Ocean Boulevard and State Route 60 (SR-60).

Major elements addressed in the Draft EIR/EIS include widening the I-710 freeway up to ten general purpose lanes (five lanes in each direction); modernizing and reconfiguring the I-405, SR-91 and a portion of the I-5 interchanges with the I-710; modernizing and reconfiguring most local arterial interchanges along the I-710; and looking at a provision of a separate four-lane freight corridor to be used by conventional or zero-emission trucks.

Caltrans and Metro will hold a series of public hearings in August to update the public on the Draft EIR/EIS and the potential effects this project may have on the environment. Those hearing dates are:

- August 7, 2012 (6 – 9 p.m.) – Progress Park, 15500 Downey Ave., Paramount, Calif.

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- August 8, 2012, (6 – 9 p.m.) – Silverado Park Community Center, 1545 W. 31st Street, Long Beach, Calif.
- August 9, 2012 (4 – 8 p.m.) - Rosewood Park, 5600 Harbor Street, Commerce, Calif.

Electronic versions of the Draft EIR/EIS on compact disc also are available for review at public libraries throughout the I-710 corridor. The Draft EIR/EIS may also be viewed online at: www.dot.ca.gov/dist07/resources/envdocs/docs/710corridor/.

In addition, copies of the Draft EIR/EIS are available for review at Caltrans District 7 Office, 100 South Main Street, in downtown Los Angeles; at Metro's Dorothy Grey Transportation Library, One Gateway Plaza, Los Angeles; at Gateway Cities Council of Governments, 16401 Paramount Blvd., Paramount; at the City of Commerce Public Library, Bristow Park Branch, 1466 S. McDonnell Ave., Commerce; County of Los Angeles Public Library, 12000 South Garfield Ave., South Gate; the East Rancho Dominguez Library at 4205 East Compton Blvd, Compton; the Main Long Beach Public Library at 101 Pacific Ave, in Long Beach; and the Bret Harte Library at 1595 West Willow Street in Long Beach.

The public is encouraged to review the Draft EIR/EIR over the next 60 days and plan on attending the upcoming public hearings in August. The public is asked to assess whether or not the potential impacts have been addressed and provide any information that should be included in the final document. The public can submit written comments until August 29, 2012 to Ronald Kosinki, Caltrans District 7, Division of Environmental Planning, 100 South Main Street, MS 16A, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

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