



### Central County Corridor Major Investment Study Status Report



**Board of Directors Meeting October 22, 2007** 



## Study Area





### Background

- Central Orange County (OC) is in need of more north/south alternatives
- Central County Corridor Study (CCCS)
  Phase 1 approved on April 2005
- Identified five conceptual alternatives:
  - Improve system efficiency
  - Moderately expand system
  - Significantly expand SR-55
  - Extend SR-57 via Santa Ana River from SR-22/I-5 to the I-405
  - Plan for Post-2030 Growth (combination of the above)



#### **Board Direction**

- Ascertain physical feasibility of extending SR-57 in consultation with:
  - Army Corp of Engineers
  - OC Flood Control District
  - Caltrans
  - FHWA



#### **Purpose of Study**

 Develop concept alignment with typical sections, plans, profiles, and order-of-magnitude cost estimates

 Complete a hydrology/hydraulics analysis to determine initial feasibility of concept

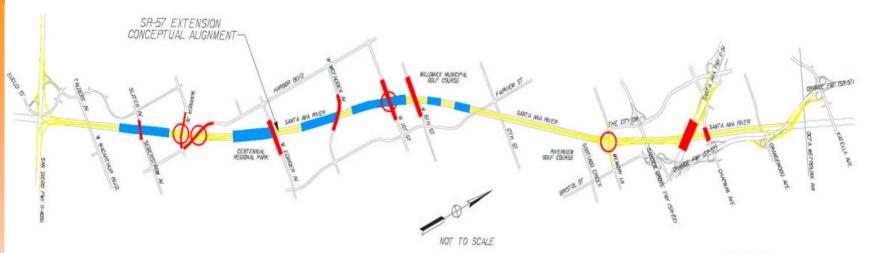


### **Concept Description**

- 8.2-mile, 4-lane limited access facility built on structure in Santa Ana River channel
- Limits between SR-57 and I-405 with proposed interchanges at:
  - Memory Lane
  - First Street
  - Harbor Blvd./Warner Ave.



# **SR-57 Extension Conceptual Improvements**



#### SUMMARY OF KEY FINDINGS OF CONCEPT STUDY

- SR-57 extension considered to be physically feasible
- 30% (2.5 miles) of existing levee needs to be raised approximately 3.5 feet
- Nine bridges require reconstruction
- Order of magnitude cost = \$2 Billion (2006)





#### **Areas of Further Study**

- Environmental considerations
- Construction activity and duration
- Funding
- Existing utility relocations
- Operations and geometrics, interchange layouts
- Local drainage facilities
- Improvements to local bridges and arterials



# Regional Planning and Highway Committee Recommendations

 Return with the Evaluation Criteria and Request for Proposals to conduct the CCCMIS for Board consideration

 Develop a better title for the SR-57 extension concept

