

Purpose of Today's Meeting

Provide study background and update

- Share SR-55/Newport Boulevard Improvement Study process and schedule
- Reacquaint the public with the SR-55 Access Study four recommended alternatives

Garner reactions, thoughts, and feedback

- Incorporate feedback and refine the four alternatives to identify concepts that balance:
 - Community and business needs
 - Mobility
 - Fiscal responsibility

Study's Background

Study Partners

- Orange County Transportation Authority(OCTA)
- City of Costa Mesa
- City of Newport Beach

2008 SR-55 Access Study

- Examined seven conceptual alternatives to reduce congestion along Newport Boulevard
- Evaluated several facility improvements from traffic light coordination to a new roadway
- Recommended four alternatives for further study
 - No build
 - Transportation system management
 - Elevated turn lanes
 - Cut and cover

Current Study and Need

Initiated SR-55/Newport Boulevard Improvement Study at request of City of Costa Mesa

- Explore and refine four alternatives
- Ensure viable improvements for future consideration



Study Need

- Existing conditions: high volumes, long delays, limited effective parallel north-south corridor
- Project purpose: relieve congestion, increase capacity, improve mobility