# Riverside County Highway Plan to Extend 91 Express Lanes



- State awarded franchise agreement to CPTC for 91 Express Lanes in 1990
- CPTC granted franchise to 2030 including "non-compete" provision
- Non-compete provision prohibited improvements to 30-mile section of SR-91 in exchange for private investment





- AB 1010 (2002) remedied noncompete issue by:
  - Authorizing OCTA purchase from CPTC
  - Permitting assignment of franchise to OCTA
  - Eliminating non-compete provision
  - Requiring toll reinvestment in SR-91 facility
  - Establishing bi-county SR-91 Advisory Committee
  - Requiring an annual improvement plan



- Other AB 1010 provisions include:
  - Authorization to collect tolls until 2030
  - Ability to extend facility and collect tolls from current terminus to I-15 (with Riverside County approval)
  - Legislative approval to sell or reassign



## Under OCTA ownership:

- Adopted congestion management pricing policy
- Implemented HOV3+ policy
- Completed \$8 million westbound lane project
- Completed a \$3.3 million Major Investment Study
- Completed \$1 million Corona re-striping project
- Provided \$2.5 million for the SR-241 to SR-71 eastbound lane EIR



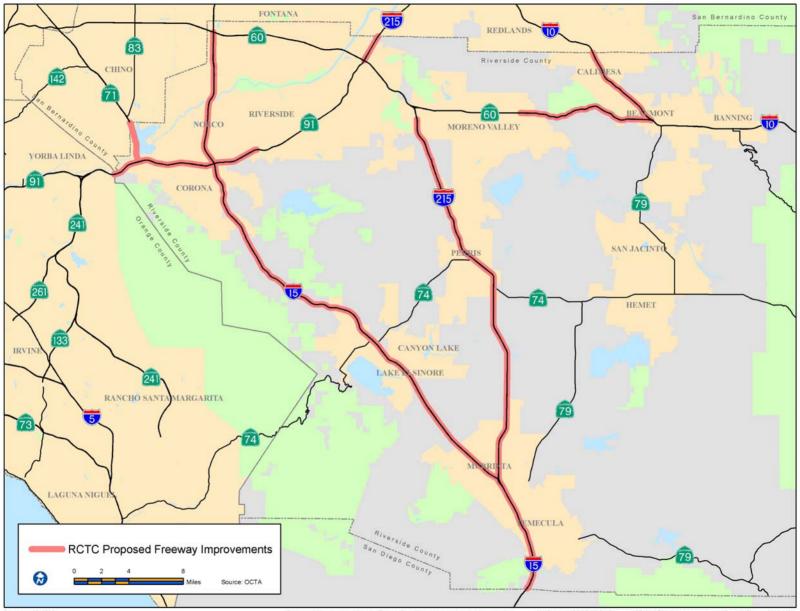
- Bi-county planning for SR-91 corridor improvements accomplished through:
  - Riverside County/Orange County
     Major Investment Study (12/2005)
  - SR-91 Implementation Plan (annually updated)
  - Project specific documents underway



### **RCTC Plan Overview**

- Focused on Riverside County freeway project delivery given current economic climate and future demand
- Establishes western Riverside County freeway priorities through 2019
- Includes major widening of SR-91 and new toll facilities

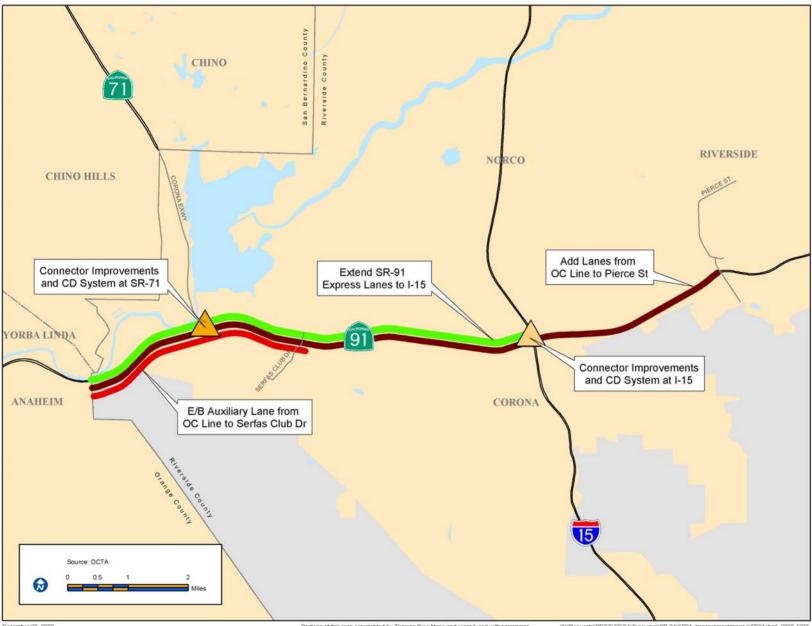




## **SR-91 Proposal**

- New lanes from Orange County line to Serfas Club and Pierce Street
- SR-71 and I-15 interchange improvements and "collectordistributor" systems
- Extension of 91 Express Lanes to I-15
  - Intermediate access at county line with additional toll





## **Plan Summary**

- Significantly expands SR-91 corridor capacity and addresses bottleneck issues at county line
- Leverages public and private funds
- Builds on successful 91 Express Lanes policy decisions and traffic base
- Planned 2015 delivery date based on certain assumptions



## Recommended Follow-up

#### 91 Express Lanes

- 91 Express Lanes/SR-241 connection, additional capacity, and reversible operations
- Two-toll system and demand/operational issues
- Franchise agreement and bond indenture terms
- Vollmer toll and revenue study and disclosure to rating agencies

#### Other issues

- Renewed Measure M integration
- Coordination with TCA and SANDAG
- Major Investment Study Corridor "A" analysis



## **Next Steps**

- Discuss follow-up issues at next Regional Planning and Highways Committee
- Return to the Board on January 22, 2007 with policy direction
- Request RCTC presentation at upcoming SR-91 Advisory Committee
- Direct staff to continue follow-up discussion and analysis

