



SR-57 Northbound Widening Project

Orangethorpe Avenue to Lambert Road

Fast Facts



Improving Travel on the Orange (SR-57) Freeway



Project Description

The Orange Freeway (SR-57) is an important truck route and an integral part of Southern California's freeway network. Currently, drivers experience substantial traffic congestion during peak afternoon hours. In an effort to improve traffic flow, the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 12, is adding a lane to the northbound SR-57 from north of the 91 near Orangethorpe Avenue in Placentia to Lambert Road in Brea.

Project Improvements

Improvements to this five-mile stretch include the addition of one general-purpose lane along with merging lanes and reconfiguration of certain on-ramps and off-ramps. Relocation of some existing soundwalls and construction of new soundwalls also will occur within the project corridor.

Key Objectives

- Improve existing and future mobility by reducing congestion
- Increase traffic flow and safety for the 144,000 to 158,000 vehicles projected to travel this section of the freeway daily
- Facilitate the flow of goods and services via SR-57
- Achieve a major component of the Renewed Measure M Freeway Improvement Plan
- Conform to state, regional and local plans and policies

Next Steps

Design plans, specifications and estimates are now being developed in preparation for the construction phase to begin in 2010.

Other SR-57 Improvements

A second segment of the SR-57 from Katella Avenue to Lincoln Avenue in Anaheim also is slated for improvements. Currently, the Katella-Lincoln segment is in the environmental phase and construction is scheduled to begin in summer 2011 if the project is approved.

How You Can Participate

For more information, visit the project website at www.octa.net/sr57 or contact Marissa Espino of OCTA at (714) 560-5607 or by e-mail at SR57NorthboundWidening@octa.net.



Anticipated Timeline

Project Approval	December 2007
Design Begins	January 2008
Construction	July 2010
Freeway Open to the Public	Late 2014

Funding Source

The estimated total cost of the project is \$140 million. Project funding sources are the Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) Program funds and Orange County Renewed Measure M—the half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements approved by Orange County voters in 2006.