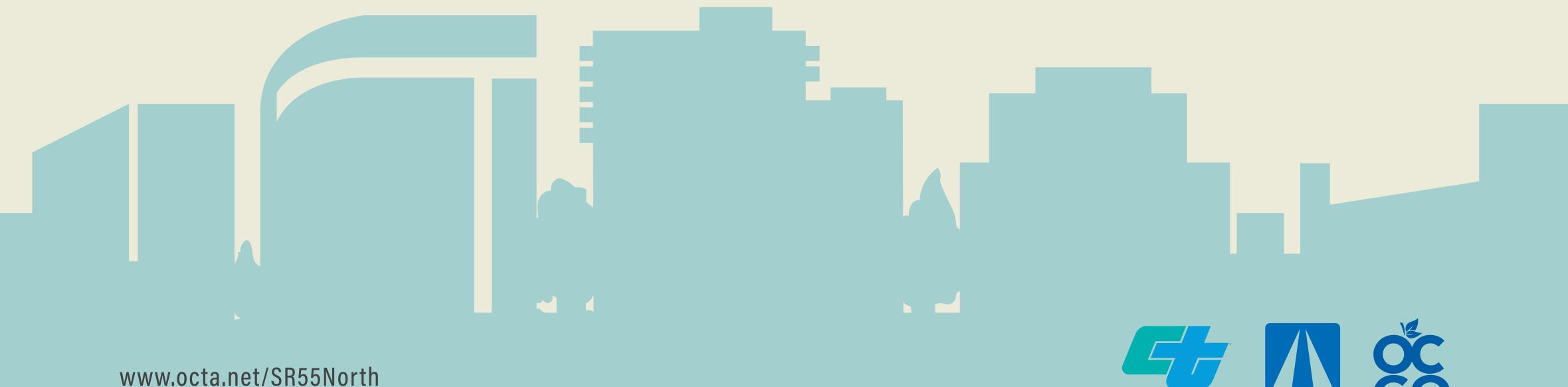
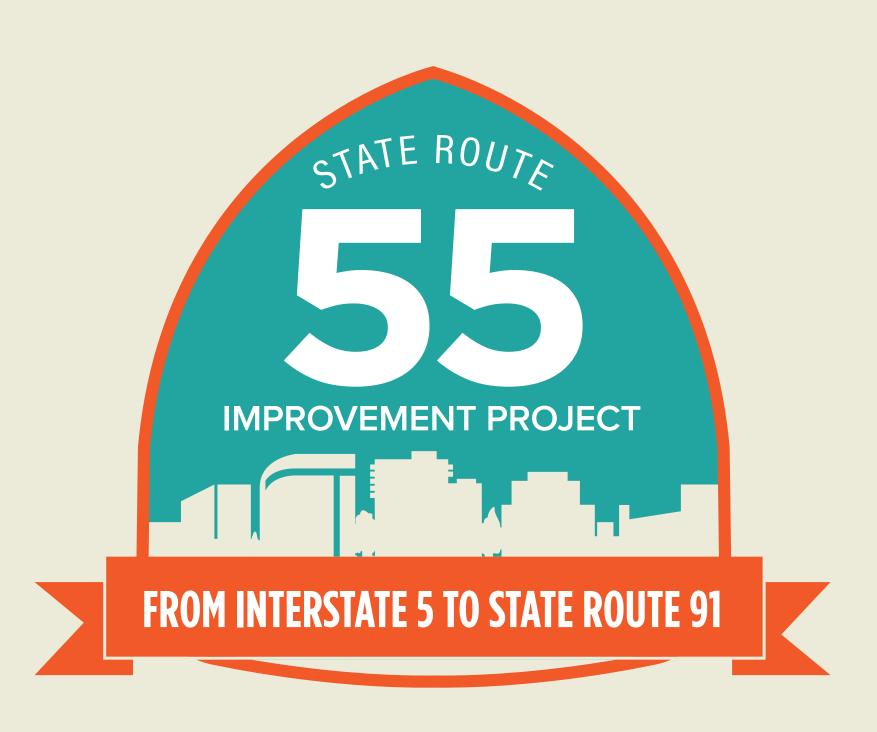


WELCOME

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

6-8 P.M. JUNE 7, 2018





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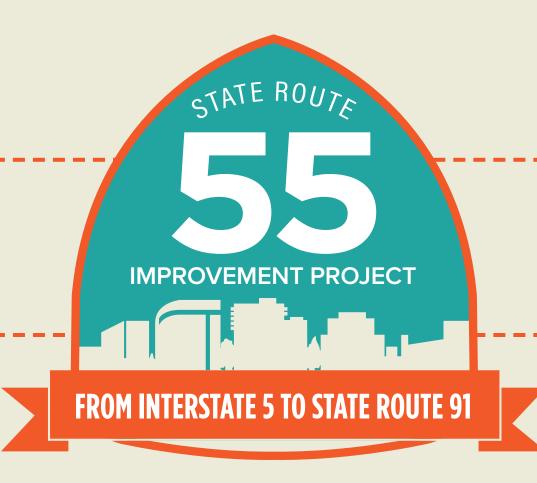
PROJECT DEVELOPMENT TEAM

PURPOSE OF MEETING









PROJECT DEVELOPMENT TEAM



LEAD AGENCY AND FACILITY OWNER

Lead agency under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA); oversees compliance with CEQA and NEPA, and provides ultimate approval of environmental documents and preferred alternative.

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Responsible agency under CEQA; funds and manages the Project Approval/Environmental Document (PA/ED) phase consistent with OC Go (formerly Measure M).

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ADDITIONAL TEAM MEMBERS

Provide input and feedback during all project phases.



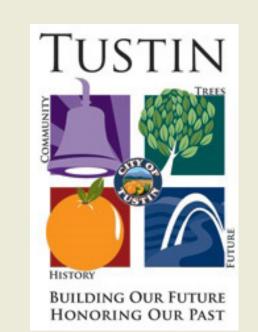
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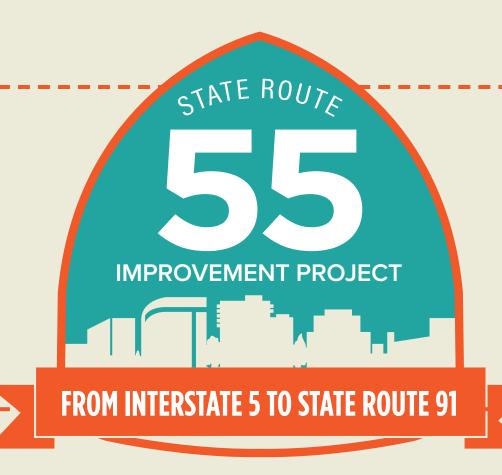
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PURPOSE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING

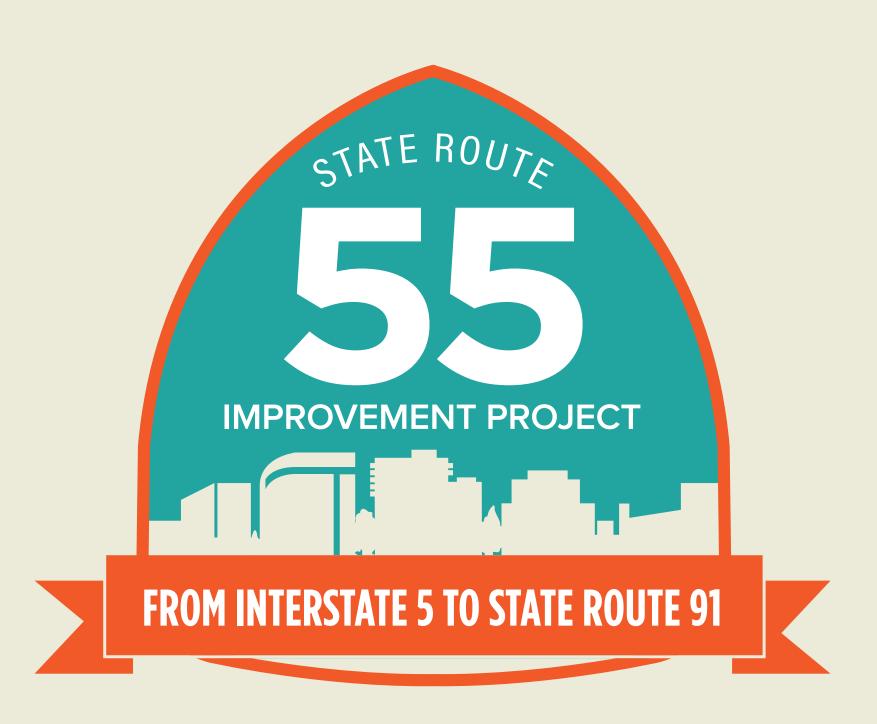
- » Inform the public about the proposed project.
- » Provide a forum to discuss the project.
- » Spotlight the role and significance of the corridor.
- » Recap project purpose and need.
- » Present an overview of the environmental process.
- » Highlight anticipated milestones.
- » Share staff contact information.
- » Invite the public to sign up for future alerts.











PROJECT AREA

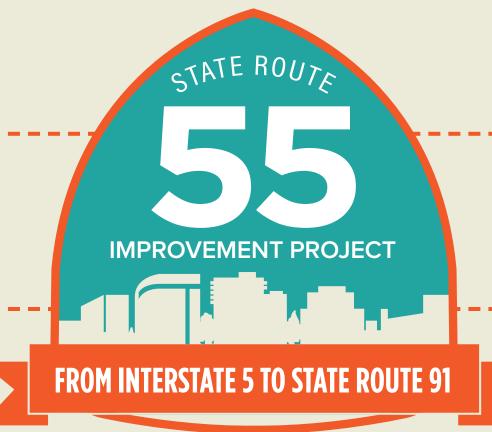
KEY DETAILS

PURPOSE AND NEED









PROJECT AREA



SR-55 IS ESSENTIAL TO ORANGE COUNTY

- » Connects inland region to residential, commercial and retail areas in Orange County.
- » A primary travel route to John Wayne Airport, and to beaches and tourist attractions in Coastal Orange County.
- » Part of local and regional transportation network.

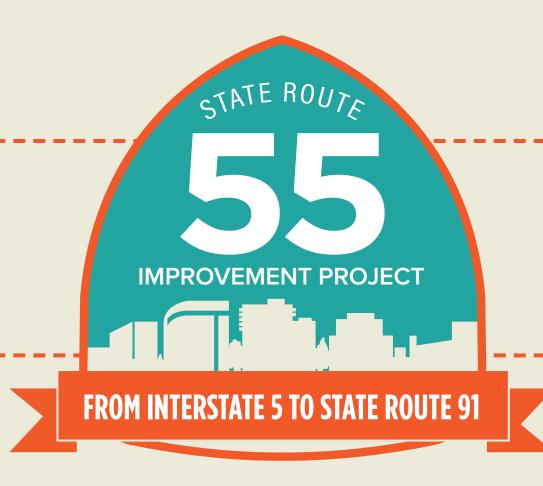
IN THE PROJECT AREA

- Caltrans Park-and-Ride Facility
- Orange Unified School District
- Orange County Global Medical Center
- Santiago Creek Bike Trail
- Super Sports Golf & Recreation Center
- Fairhaven Memorial Park
- The Village at Orange
- Tustkatella Shopping Center
- Old Towne Orange
- Centre on Seventeenth
- **Enderle Center**
- Old Town Tustin









KEY DETAILS

PROJECT STATUS

The project is in the Project Approval/Environmental Document (PA/ED) phase, also known as the environmental review phase.

This phase began in early 2017 and is anticipated to be completed in early 2020.

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST

Approximately \$230 million for the build alternative.

PROJECT FUNDING

The project is part of OC Go (also known as Measure M), Orange County's voter-approved, half-cent sales tax to improve our transportation network over 30 years.

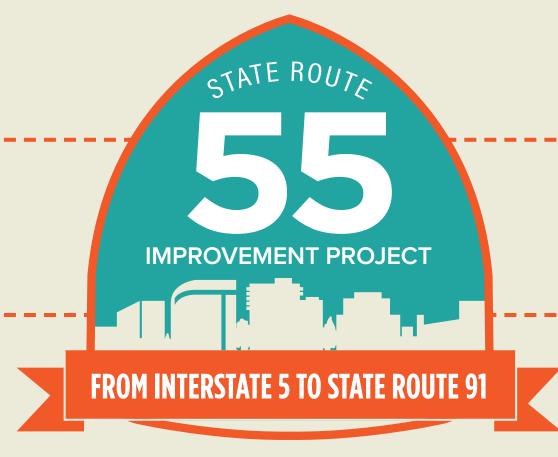
OCTA is constantly looking for opportunities to speed up construction of OC Go projects by taking advantage of state and federal dollars. The projects that compete the best for external funding are those that are environmentally cleared.

The environmental review phase is funded by OC Go and federal funds, and future phases will be funded by OC Go and external funding sources.









PURPOSE AND NEED

THE PURPOSE

The purpose of the project is to add general purpose lanes to State Route 55 (SR-55) between Interstate 5 (I-5) and State Route 22 (SR-22), and provide operational improvements on SR-55 between SR-22 and State Route 91 (SR-91).

The purpose of the proposed action is to:

- » Improve mobility and reduce congestion;
- » Increase freeway capacity; and
- » Improve traffic operations.

THE NEED

Existing traffic volumes, traffic congestion and travel delay along the SR-55 corridor are anticipated to grow as a result of forecasted increases in population, housing and employment.

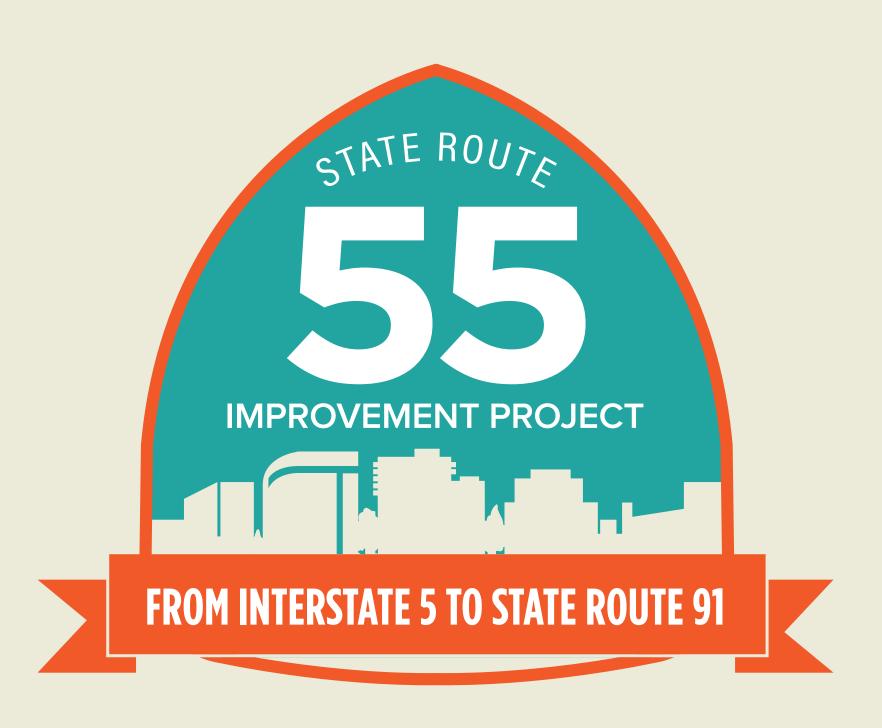
Traffic operations along the corridor are impacted due to the following key factors/issues:

- » Limited lane capacity on SR-55 during AM and PM peak periods; and
- » Inadequate freeway operations resulting from weaving, merging and diverging within the project limits along the SR-55 corridor.









ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

STUDY AREAS

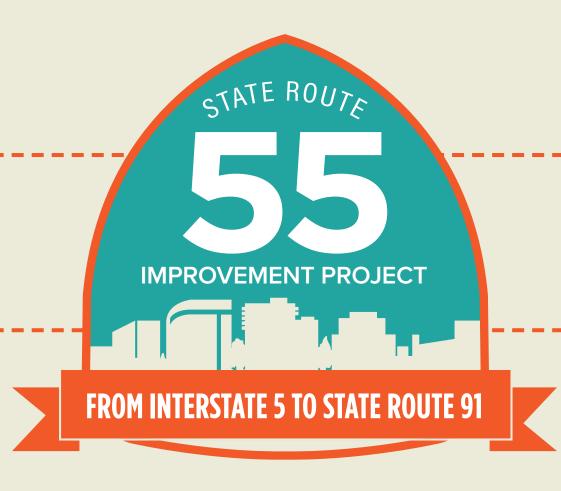
PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

SCHEDULE







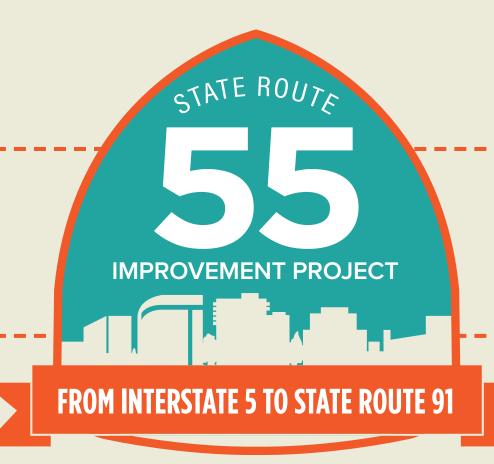


ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

PURPOSE OF NEPA AND CEQA:

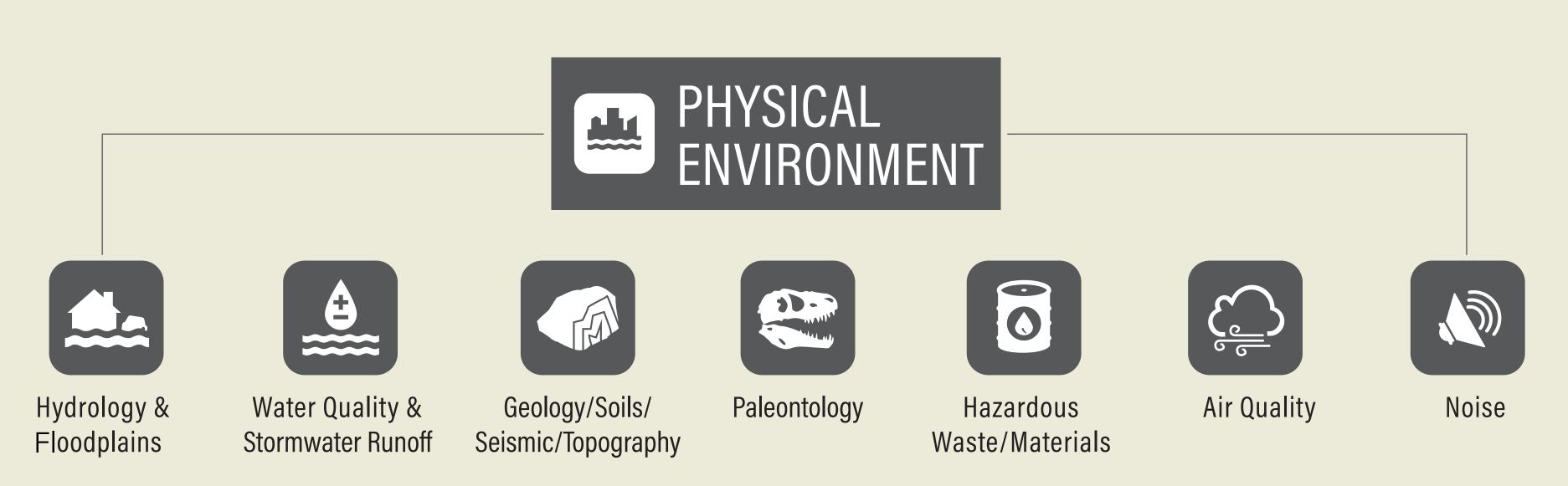
- » Inform governmental decision-makers and the public about potential, significant environmental effects of proposed projects.
- » **Identify** ways that environmental effects can be avoided or significantly reduced.
- » **Prevent** significant, avoidable environmental effects by requiring changes in project through the use of alternatives or mitigation measures when the governmental agency finds the changes to be feasible.
- » Explain why an agency approved a project.
- » Promote and encourage public participation.

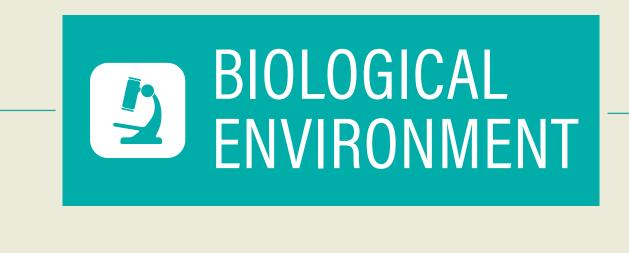




STUDY AREAS

Potential effects on physical, biological and human environments are measured through numerous technical studies, including, but not limited to:







Wetlands & Other Waters



Plant Species



Animal Species



Invasive Species





Land Use



Growth



Community Impacts



Utilities/ Emergency Services



Traffic & Transportation/
Pedestrian &
Bicycle Facilities

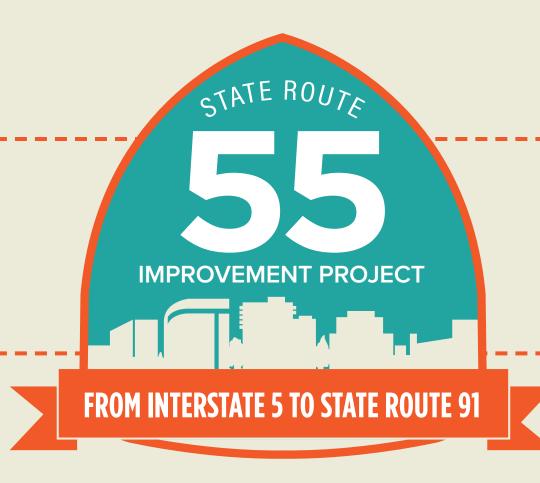


Visual/Aesthetics

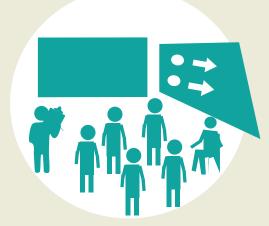


Cultural Resources





PUBLIC PARTICIPATION



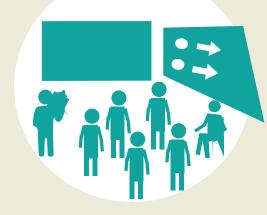
PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING:

The purpose of today's meeting is to inform residents, business owners, community organizations and others of the improvement study, discuss the proposed project and encourage participants to sign up for project alerts.



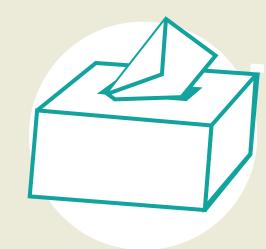
CIRCULATION OF DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT (DED):

The DED will be circulated for public review for 30 days.



PUBLIC HEARING (OPEN-HOUSE FORMAT):

During the DED circulation period, a public hearing (open-house format) will be held for community members to learn project details, discuss the project with representatives and provide documented feedback.



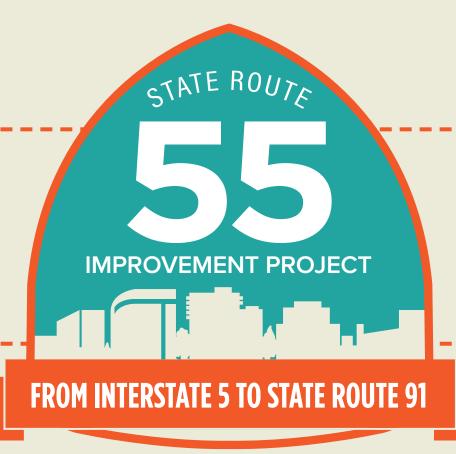
RELEASE OF FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT (FED):

The FED will include the preferred alternative, comments received during the public-review period and responses to those comments.



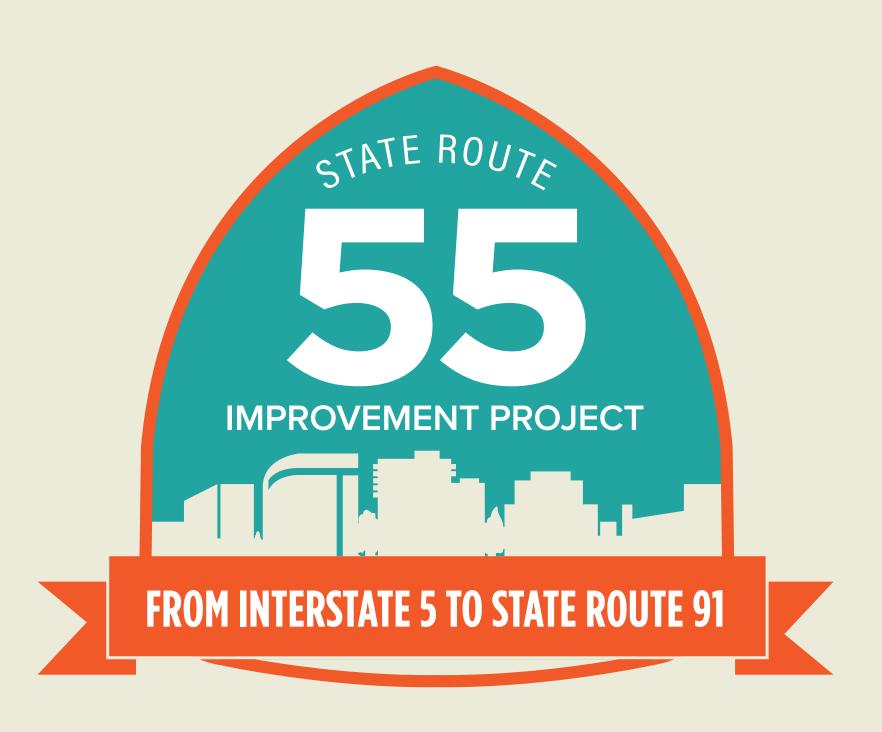




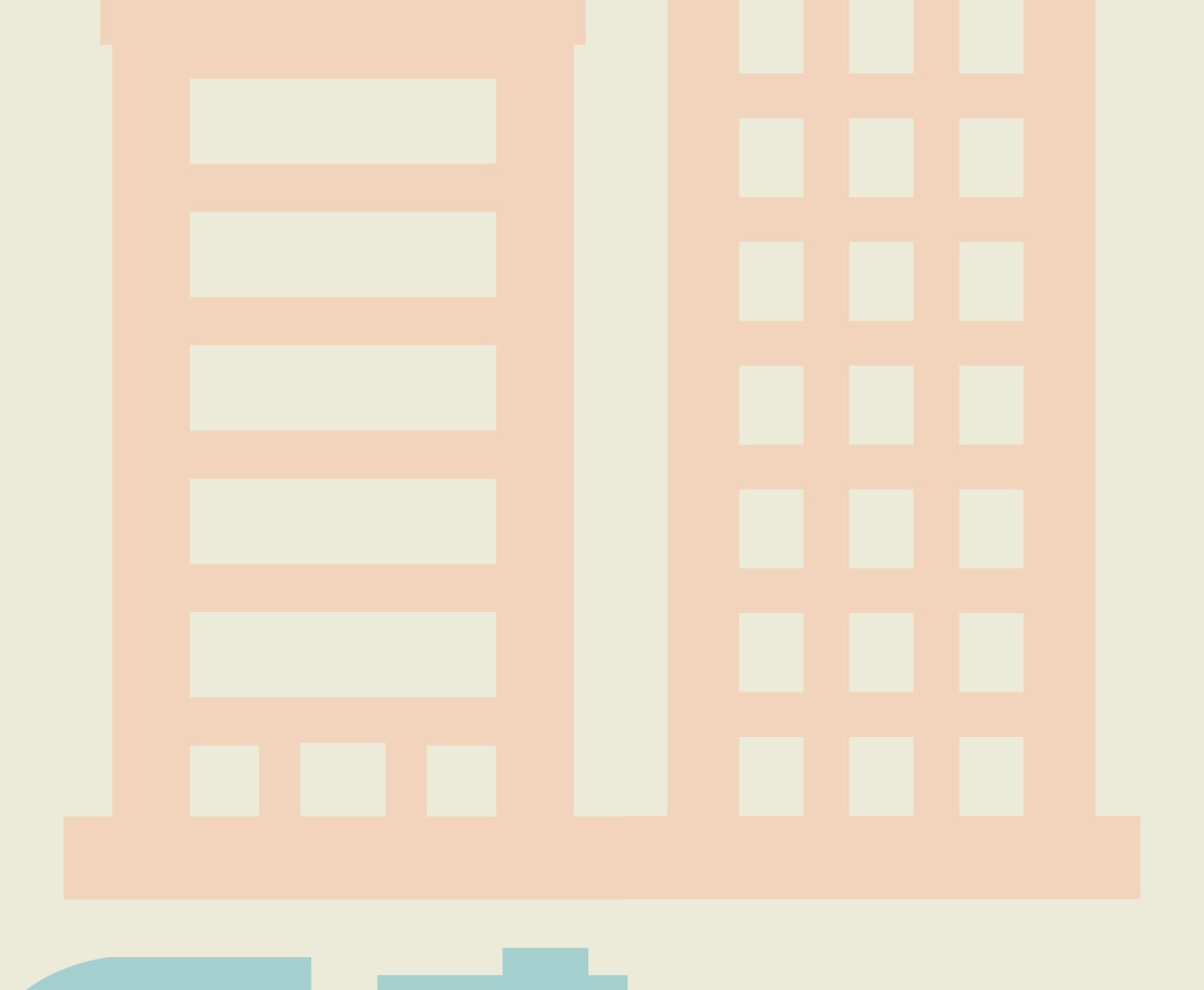


SCHEDULE

CONDUCT ENVIRONMENTAL OCTA and Caltrans partner and analyze proposed project. HOLD PUBLIC INFORMATION Today's event is a public information meeting for members of : MEETING the community to discuss the project with representatives. : NDUCT TECHNICAL STUDIES Technical experts conduct technical studies and preliminary design for the environmental document. All technical studies will be compiled into a Draft CIRCULATE DED Environmental Document (DED), which will be available for public review and comment mid-2019. During the DED circulation period, a public hearing HOLD PUBLIC HEARING (open-house format) will be held for community members to (OPEN-HOUSE FORMAT) learn project details, discuss the project with representatives and provide documented feedback. IDENTIFY PREFERRED ALTERNATIVE The project partners will recommend a preferred alternative. The FED will include the preferred alternative, comments received during the public-review period and responses to those comments. **PUBLIC INFORMATION ONGOING PROCESSES PUBLIC HEARING** www.octa.net/SR55North MEETING



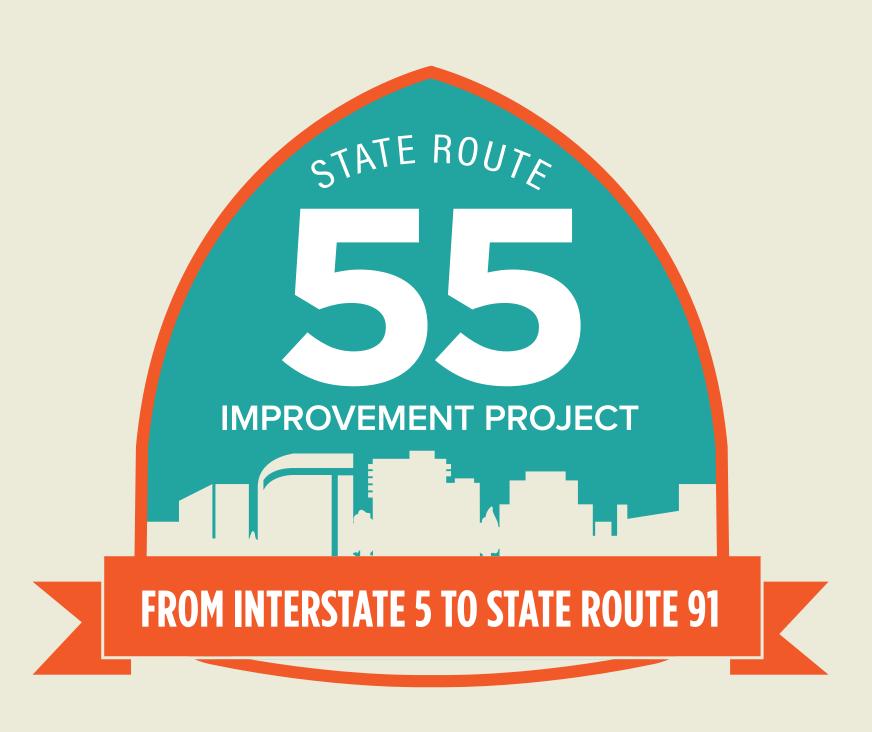
FEEDBACK AND SURVEY











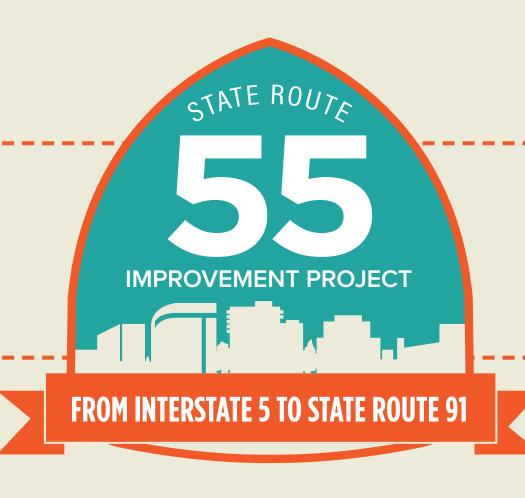
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