



### **WHAT IS THE I-580/INTERNATIONAL PARKWAY INTERCHANGE PROJECT?**

The project proposes to modify the existing compact diamond (Type L-1) interchange at Interstate 580 (I-580) and International Parkway/Patterson Pass Road in the City of Tracy to a diverging diamond interchange due to increased traffic demands from existing commercial development and planned future growth in San Joaquin County. The proposed project will reduce congestion resulting from ongoing and planned development as well as improve local traffic circulation.

### **WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS PROJECT?**

The City of Tracy is the lead implementing agency, working cooperatively with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) to examine and analyze feasible alternatives for the project. Caltrans is the CEQA and NEPA Lead agency.

### **WHY IS THIS PROJECT NEEDED?**

The proposed project is needed to accommodate the increase in traffic demand projected as part of the planned development in the Cordes Ranch Specific Plan area and nearby areas in Tracy, and to discourage highway traffic from using local roadways, thereby improving local circulation.

The *Cordes Ranch Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report* concluded that traffic resulting from the specific plan development would cause a significant impact on the intersections of International Parkway and the on-ramps and off-ramps of I-580. The environmental impact report identified mitigation measures to reduce potential impacts to a less-than-significant level. The interchange improvements would be implemented to support compliance with the environmental impact report mitigation measures. The information provided below is based on the Traffic Operations Analysis Report prepared for this project in July 2019.

### **WHAT HAPPENS DURING THE CIRCULATION OF THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT?**

As part of the environmental analysis process, proposed alternatives were analyzed for potential environmental impacts as required by the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA) and the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and documented in the Draft Environmental Document (DED). The environmental analysis included a wide range of resource areas such as air quality, noise, community, and land use to identify potential impacts and establish clear mitigations prior to approval to move the project forward.

Caltrans is the CEQA and NEPA lead for the project. For questions concerning the environmental process, please contact Jennifer Lugo, Senior Environmental Planner, at (559) 445-6172 or [internationalpkwyinterchanges@dot.ca.gov](mailto:internationalpkwyinterchanges@dot.ca.gov).

### **WHAT DOES THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT IDENTIFY?**

The DED identifies two alternatives (Build and No-Build), their associated environmental impacts, and subsequent mitigation measures established to minimize potential impacts. The DED will be circulated for a 30-day public comment period. Comments received will be addressed in the Final Environmental Document.

### **WHAT IS THE SCHEDULE FOR THE PROJECT?**

- Preliminary Engineering/DED: Summer 2020
- Public Review of DED: Summer 2020
- Final Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) and Categorical Exclusion: Fall 2020
- Project Approval & Environmental Document (PA&ED) Complete: Winter 2020
- Right-of-Way Certification Complete: Fall 2021
- Construction: Summer 2022 to Winter 2023
- Public Outreach: Ongoing throughout the Project

### **WHEN WILL THE PROJECT BE BUILT?**

Construction for the project is anticipated to begin in August 2022 and be completed by December 2023.

### **HOW MUCH WILL THE PROJECT COST?**

The estimated total Build Alternative cost is \$49.183 million.

### **HOW WILL THE PROJECT BE FUNDED?**

The project will be funded through the City's Transportation Impact Mitigation Fee, City's Regional Transportation Impact Fee, and SJCOG Measure K.

### **HOW CAN THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATE IN THE PLANNING EFFORT?**

The City and Caltrans are committed to meaningful public engagement throughout the project. Community participation is vital so that project solutions serve our regional needs. The project's communications program is designed to provide convenient and timely information to educate and inform, as well as seek public participation throughout the planning process.



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### HOW WILL INFORMATION BE SHARED?

New information will be distributed electronically through the website at **205and580interchanges.com** as well as via the City's social media and project email ([info@205and580interchanges.com](mailto:info@205and580interchanges.com)). Sign-up online to receive electronic updates.

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