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CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS REPORT

❖ Updated Information
Presented To:



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For the meeting of October 21, 2004

HWY 1 - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

- **WEST OF HWY 101 TO HWY 246 NEAR LOMPOC AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS (PM 0.6 – 19.3)**
- Project: Placement of a hot rubber chip seal for rejuvenation of the existing asphalt concrete roadway.
- Resident Engineer: Charles Hench
- Contractor: Intermountain Slurry Seal Co., Loomis
- Estimated Cost: \$1.5 million
- Start Date: August 2, 2004
- ✓ Project Completed: September 24, 2004
- EA: 0J5504

HWY 1 - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

- **HWY 1 NEAR LAS CRUCES NORTH OF ROUTE 1 AND 101 SEPARATION**
(PM R1.7 – R2.5)
- Project: Slope Realignment
- Traffic Controls: After the initial week, two-way traffic will be in effect, but with no shoulders. Bicycles will not be permitted in the project area and will be detoured using 101 and 246.
- Resident Engineer: Patrick Stimson
- Contractor: Granite Construction Co., Watsonville
- Estimated Cost: \$2.1 million
- Start Date: August 2, 2004
- Estimated Completion: Summer 2005, with 1 year plant establishment
- EA: 484604

HWY 101 - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

- **NEAR GOLETA FROM NORTH OF HOLLISTER AVENUE
OVERCROSSING TO SOUTH OF REFUGIO UNDERCROSSING** (PM 28 – 36)
- Project: Resurface existing highway
- Traffic Controls: Lane closures will be scheduled outside the commute hours Mondays through Fridays. Therefore, there will be no southbound closures between 6 am and 9 am and no northbound closures between 4 pm and 7 pm.
- Resident Engineer: Art Infante
- Contractor: Granite Construction Co., Watsonville
- Estimated Cost: \$3.2 Million
- Start Date: June 1, 2004
- ❖ Estimated Completion: November 2004
- EA: 0G8704

HIGHWAY 101 SANTA BARBARA COUNTY (NEW PROJECT)

- ❖ **SOUTH OF GAVIOTA** (PM 40.4 –41.)
- ❖ Project: Construct concrete median barrier.
- ❖ Traffic Controls: The northbound (#1) fast lane will be closed from 6 am to 3:30 pm Mondays through Thursdays and 6 am to 12 noon on Fridays. The southbound fast (#1) lane will be closed from 8 am to 5 pm Mondays through Thursdays and 8 am to 12 noon Fridays.
- ❖ Resident Engineer: Art Infante
- ❖ Contractor: John Madonna Construction Co. Inc., San Luis Obispo
- ❖ Estimated Cost: \$1.1 Million
- ❖ Start Date: October 12, 2004
- ❖ Estimated Completion: Spring 2005
- ❖ EA: 0J3304

HWY 101 - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

- **SOUTH OF SANTA MARIA BETWEEN PALMER ROAD AND SOLOMON SUMMIT UNDERCROSSING** (PM 77.4 – 78.5)
- Project: Widen southbound inside shoulder and install rumble strip
- Traffic Controls: Lane closures of the fast (#1) lane from 8 am to 5 pm, Mondays through Fridays.
- Resident Engineer: Mike Lew
- Contractor: AJ Diani Construction Co., Santa Maria
- Estimated Cost: \$439,099
- ❖ Start Date: September 15, 2004
- Estimated Completion: December 2004, with 1 year plant establishment
- EA: 0J8004

HIGHWAY 101 SANTA MAIRA

- **IN SANTA MARIA FROM JUST SOUTH OF CLARK AVENUE TO THE SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY LINE** (PM 81 – 91)
- Project: Remove dead and Lerp Psyllid infested eucalyptus trees.
- Traffic Controls: Phase 1, one southbound lane closed intermittently from 9 am to 3 pm Mondays through Thursdays with corresponding ramp closures. Phase 2, one northbound lane closed intermittently from 9 am to 3 pm Mondays through Thursdays with corresponding ramp closures. No two consecutive ramps will be closed at the same time.
- Resident Engineer: Cheryl Lenhardt
- Contractor: Terra Industries, Inc., Castro Valley
- Estimated Cost: \$240,000 for both projects
- Start Date: September 7, 2004
- Estimated Completion: November 2004
- EA: 0K7705 and 0L3705

HIGHWAY 135 (BROADWAY) - SANTA MARIA

- **IN SANTA MARIA FROM NORTH OF BETTERAVIA ROAD TO SOUTH OF THE ROUTE 135/101 SEPERATION** (PM13.6 – 17)
- Project: Construct ADA compliant wheel chair curb ramps and improve drainage.
- Traffic Controls: The outside lane, # 2 or 3, will be closed at various locations from 8 am to 4 pm Mondays through Thursdays and 8 am to 10 am on Fridays.
- Resident Engineer: Patrick Stimson
- Contractor: Granite Construction Co., Watsonville
- Estimated Cost: \$167,000
- Start Date: June 7, 2004
- ❖ Estimated Completion: October 2004
- EA: 0F3004

HIGHWAY 135 (BROADWAY) - SANTA MARIA

- **IN SANTA MARIA FROM WINTER/GOODWIN TO MCCOY** (PM 12.1-13.3)
- Project: Grind and replace asphalt concrete
- Resident Engineer: Cheryl Lenhardt
- Contractor: Union Asphalt, Santa Maria
- Estimated Cost: \$495,000
- Start Date: August 2, 2004
- ✓ Project Completed: September 29, 2004
- EA: 0H8304

HWY 166 (EAST) – SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

- **IN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY EAST OF SANTA MARIA FROM HWY 101 TO KERN COUNTY LINE AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS** (PM 22.9 –R70.1)
- Project: Installation, extension and upgrade of metal beam guardrail. Project also includes pesticide free weed abatement pilot project.
- Traffic Controls: Project has been suspended due to a shortage of material. It is anticipated that work will resume in early September. Once the project resumes, there will be reversing one way traffic control 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Mondays through Thursdays and 8:00 am to 2:00pm Fridays.
- Resident Engineer: Ramon Hopkins
- Contractor: C and W Construction Specialties Inc., Ventura
- Cost: \$1.5 Million
- Start Date: May 17, 2004
- Estimated Completion: December 2004
- EA: 0A2304

UPCOMING PROJECTS

HWY 101 - OPERATIONAL IMPROVEMENTS

- **CARPINTERIA - CASITAS PASS AND LINDEN AVE. INTERCHANGES**
Caltrans is proposing to reconstruct the Linden Avenue and Casitas Pass Road Interchanges. The Casitas Pass Road northbound ramps will potentially be relocated, and new ramps added at the Linden Avenue interchange. Via Real is also planned to be extended. Completion of the draft environmental document with opportunity for public comment is anticipated in summer 2005. **Construction scheduled to begin in 2008.**
(EA: 4482U0)
- **SUMMERLAND - EVANS AVENUE TO SHEFFIELD DRIVE**
Construct northbound auxiliary lane and Class 1 bikeway. Environmental and Design phases complete. Cooperative agreement with SBCAG for construction and Maintenance Agreement with the County of Santa Barbara has been completed. **Construction scheduled to begin in Early 2005.**
(EA: 448101)
- **SANTA BARBARA - MILPAS STREET TO CABRILLO/HOT SPRINGS**
Operational improvements. EIR completed March 11, 2004. Preliminary meetings completed with the City of Santa Barbara's Design Review Team. **Coastal Development Permit Application submitted in early October. Project is currently being reviewed at a conceptual level by Architectural Board of Review, Historic Landmarks Commission and Planning Commission. Construction scheduled to begin in fall of 2006.**
(EA: 447801)

HWY 225 – SANTA BARBARA COUNTY (NEW PROJECT)

❖ IN AND NEAR SANTA BARBARA FROM LAS POSITAS OVERCROSSING TO CASTILLO STREET UNDERCROSSING (PM 0.0 – 4.6)

- ❖ Project: Resurface existing highway
- ❖ Resident Engineer: Joe Blommer
- ❖ Contractor: Granite Construction Co., Watsonville
- ❖ Estimated Cost: \$5.3 Million
- ❖ Estimated Start Date: Fall 2004
- ❖ Estimated Completion: Summer 2005
- ❖ EA: 487714

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October 1, 2004

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Dear Mr. Kemp:

RESPONSE TO QUESTIONS POSED AT THE SEPTEMBER 21, 2004 SBCAG BOARD MEETING

This is in response to questions posed to the Department of Transportation (Department) about highway improvements in Santa Barbara County at the September 21, 2004 Santa Barbara County Association of Government's (SBCAG) Board meeting.

Question:

Supervisor Marshall asked about the status of the investigation for a stoplight on Highway 154 at Edison/Baseline.

Response:

As explained in the Department's September 9th response to Supervisor Marshall's inquiry about a traffic signal at this intersection, we do recognize the need for control signals to provide orderly movement of traffic in this area and we began the preliminary investigative stages for that facility. Shortly after the design process begins, we plan to hold a public information meeting and will notify the Board when we set the date.

Question:

Mayor Weinberg asked what caused traffic to back up on northbound Highway 101 on September 14th late in the morning. He asked about methods to inform the traveling public to help them avoid traffic jams.

Response:

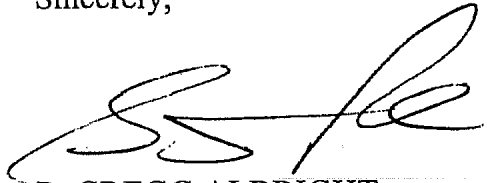
The Department closed one lane between Olive Mill Road and Hermosillo Drive on northbound Highway 101 to conduct an accident investigation from 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Although the newspaper publicized the lane closure, the incident points to the need for an advance traveler information system that informs the public while they are on the road. During the next SBCAG Board meeting the Department plans to present information

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about Intelligent Transportation Systems and how it alerts drivers of changes in travel conditions.

Thank you for relaying this information so that it may be included in the Board members' agenda packets for the next meeting. Should you need further information regarding the responses, please call Pat Mickelson at (805) 683-1460.

Sincerely,



for

R. GREGG ALBRIGHT
District Director