

# STIP PROJECT WESTERN PLACERVILLE INTERCHANGES PHASE 2



## Project Description

Western Placerville Interchanges (WPI) Phase 2 includes the US Highway 50 eastbound off ramp to Ray Lawyer Drive and local road improvements to Forni Road and Ray Lawyer Drive. The local road improvements will accommodate the new eastbound on ramp and future on/off ramps associated with the project. Additional Phase 2 elements include pedestrian facilities and connecting two segments of the El Dorado Trail Class I Bike Path: Lower Main Street/Forni Road to Ray Lawyer Drive and Forni Road to Missouri Flat Road.



## Current Project Status

In December 2013, EDCTC submitted the Regional Transportation Improvement Program (RTIP) to the California Transportation Commission (CTC), including \$5,542,000 State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) funds for Phase 2 of the Western Placerville Interchanges Project. The CTC programmed the STIP funds in fiscal year 2016/17, and construction was anticipated to begin during that fiscal year. However, at the May 18-19, 2016 CTC meeting, the CTC voted to reprogram the \$5,542,000 in STIP funds from FY 2015/16 to FY 2017/18, delaying delivery of the project one year.

While STIP funds are programmed for construction, project phases including design and right of way are funded with SAFETEA-LU and Appropriations funds programmed to the overall Western Placerville Interchanges project. A traffic study prepared to analyze the Ray Lawyer Drive phasing options indicated that the eastbound US Highway 50 off ramp is the preferred ramp for construction. Caltrans referenced traffic analysis to support construction of the eastbound off ramp and approve construction of a "partial interchange." On March 6, 2014, EDCTC programmed \$1,100,000 in CMAQ funds to the project to support the construction of bicycle and pedestrian elements including a Class I Bike Path from Ray Lawyer Drive to connect with the existing trail segment at Forni Road. The project's coordination with the El Dorado County Courthouse project is on hold pending the next Courthouse project meeting (the last Courthouse meeting was held in July 2015).

The one-year delay in project delivery from FY 2016/17 to FY 2017/18 resulted in an escalation of the cost of construction. To close the funding gap, on May 4, 2017 EDCTC programmed \$272,000 in Urban Surface Transportation Block Grant Program (STBGP) funds and an additional \$666,000 in CMAQ and on May 18, 2017 the California Transportation Commission allocated \$470,000 in SHOPP Minor funds to the project. The request for allocation of STIP construction funds was approved at the August 16-17, 2017 CTC meeting. A construction contract for \$9,064,856 was awarded to Doug Veerkamp Engineering at the January 9, 2018, City Council meeting. Construction began the first week of February 2018 and is scheduled to be completed in summer 2019.

## Upcoming Activities

- Complete construction fall 2019

PROJECT FUNDING DETAIL (Construction Only)				
Project Phase	Amount Programmed	Source	Status	Project Cost
Construction	\$5,542,000	STIP	Allocated at August 2017 CTC Meeting	\$5,542,000
Construction	\$470,000	SHOPP MINOR	Allocated at May 2017 CTC Meeting	\$470,000
Construction	\$272,000	Urban STBGP	Obligated	\$272,000
Bike/Ped Construction	\$1,666,000	CMAQ	Obligated	\$1,666,000
Construction	\$287,968	Repurposed Earmark	Programmed FFY 2018	\$287,968
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$8,237,968</b>			<b>\$8,237,968</b>