SR 37 Policy Committee Meeting

SR 37 Corridor Ultimate Project (US 101 – I-80) Planning and Environmental Linkages (PEL) Study Purpose and Need Statement

January 6, 2021
UPCOMING PEL MILESTONES AND MEETING TOPICS

- Finalize Purpose
  - Refine evaluation criteria
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- Develop Alternatives
- Level 1 Alternatives Screening: Input on alternatives and screening results
- Level 2 screening: Evaluate and compare alternatives
- Level 3 screening: Evaluate and compare alternatives
- Finalize PEL Report

- September/October
- November/December
- January/February
- March/April
- Summer 2022

Public Meeting January 25, 2022
Recent Meetings
• September 24 SWG Meeting
• October 29 RAP Meeting
• October TWG Meetings
• November TWG Meetings
• December TWG Meetings

Upcoming Meetings
• January 25, 2022 Public Meeting
Preserving a critical regional transportation corridor that is resilient to extreme events while integrating ecological resiliency which facilitates adaptation to sea level rise

Providing reliable travel time and increasing average vehicle occupancy

Providing safe mobility for bicyclists and pedestrians

Maintaining and enhancing public access, including to recreational areas

Providing equitable transit and multimodal transportation solutions that improve access for, and provides meaningful benefits to all users of SR 37, with special consideration of underserved communities

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Purpose

Preserving a critical regional transportation corridor that is resilient to extreme events while integrating ecological resiliency which facilitates adaptation to SLR

Factors to Consider

Consider Alternatives that:

- Maintain a vital transportation corridor in the North Bay
- Will be resilient to flooding of the existing corridor, which is expected to increase in frequency/magnitude with sea level rise

Prospective Criteria

Does the alternative preserve connectivity between U.S. 101 and I-80 corridors? Does it maintain current connection points? Or establish one or more new ones?

Potential of the alternative to reduce exposure to projected levels of storm surge/flooding, up to/including 2130 projection of sea level under the OPC Guidance?
Level 1 Evaluation

- How well do Alternatives meet the project purpose and address the project need?
  - Alternatives that perform poorly may not be recommended for further evaluation

Level 2 Evaluation

- For remaining Alternatives, how well do they meet other key objectives such as
  - Feasibility/Cost
  - Environmental and Ecological Factors
  - Compatibility with Community Plans

Level 3 Evaluation (if needed)

- For Alternatives that perform best under Level 1 and 2 screenings – how do the Alternatives compare against each other?

Following PEL Study Publication, Next Steps

- Technical Reports
- Draft and Final Environmental Document (EIR/EIS)
- Public Meetings/Hearings

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NEXT STEPS

Evaluation Criteria and Alternatives

Continued collaboration with technical working groups (TWGs) regarding the development of screening criteria and alternatives

- Design TWG – October 14, November 17, December 16
- Environmental TWG – October 12, November 16, December 15
- Traffic TWG – October 15, November 19, December 14
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