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# Coastal Commission Unanimous Approval Marks Key Step for NCC Program

On March 9, the California Coastal Commission voted unanimously to approve the initial set of highway, bike, and pedestrian path improvement projects near the San Elijo Lagoon as part of the North Coast Corridor (NCC) Program. This important milestone helps set the stage for implementing the first phase of transportation and environmental enhancements later this year. This decision marks a key step in the 10-year collaborative effort between Caltrans, SANDAG, community members, local corridor cities, the Coastal Commission, and resource agencies.



The Coastal Commission approved a Coastal Development Permit for the replacement of the San Elijo Lagoon highway bridge, which is slated to begin construction this fall. The new bridge will be wider to accommodate new carpool lanes, and longer to improve lagoon tidal

flow. This work also includes a new Multi-Use Facility/Park & Ride at Manchester Avenue, and new bike/pedestrian trails in and around the San Elijo Lagoon.

The Coastal Commission also approved minor changes and updates to the NCC Public Works Plan/Transportation and Resource Enhancement Program. The changes include corridor-wide language clarifications and updates that are not project specific.

To read more about the first phase of the NCC Program, please click <u>here</u>. Pre-construction public meetings will be held later this year to inform residents and business about what to expect during construction.

## **About the Program**

The NCC Program is a balanced set of transportation, environmental, and coastal access projects to improve the quality of life for residents, create a stronger local and regional economy for the future, and enhance the coastal environment. The NCC Program, which spans 27 miles from La Jolla to Oceanside, is comprised of three primary focus areas – the Interstate 5 (I-5) Express Lanes Project, coastal rail and transit enhancements, and environmental protection and coastal access improvements.

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