

## SR 76 Corridor Project Construction Update #9

SUMMER 2012

### SR 76 Middle Project Nears End of Road

With one last retaining wall to be completed at the intersection at Old River Road, a water line to be installed at South Mission Avenue, and some final paving to go, the project is now 85 percent complete.

The finishing touches are currently being done to the State Route 76 (SR 76) Middle Segment and all systems are go for this portion of the highway to be fully open in December.

Much of the heavy lifting has been done. For instance, the Bonsall Creek, Ostrich Farm Creek, and San Luis Rey River bridges have been completed. And talk about heavy lifting! For just the San Luis Rey River Bridge, four million pounds of steel bars were used in its construction.

Two animal crossings, vital to protect and enhance wildlife environment along the

SR 76 corridor, are ready too. The crossings give animals a safe walkway underneath the SR 76 and prevent the fragmentation of their natural habitat. Such features, along with the effort to protect and restore habitats throughout the corridor, result in more ecological benefits than impacts for the project.

Utility work such as sewer, electric, and cable have been installed. The grading is now complete and the construction team is finishing the highway paving. The two westbound lanes are anticipated to be open to traffic by early October. The two completed eastbound lanes will follow shortly thereafter.

The contractors and crews are in the final stages of the work they started in January 2010, to finish on time and on budget. Thank you for your patience!

### Say Hello to a New and Improved Highway



Looking west at the improved SR 76 Middle Segment, which is nearing completion.

The SR 76 Middle Segment will feature:

- ▶ More than five miles of four-lane highway
- ▶ Concrete median barrier throughout the project length
- ▶ Wild animal crossings and directional fencing to encourage wildlife movement throughout the habitat
- ▶ A wider roadway shoulder to serve bicyclists, pedestrians, and to provide emergency parking
- ▶ New eastbound San Luis Rey Bridge

TransNet is delivering on our promise to the region. The new four-lane highway will be a key transportation asset by helping to meet future travel demand. Traffic volume on the SR 76 is expected to grow from 30,000 daily trips to more than 60,000 by the year 2030.



A crew member coring the pavement on the SR 76 westbound lanes to assess the condition of the surface prior to laying new pavement.

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## SR 76 East Segment to Start Soon

The SR 76 construction team is readjusting their hard-hats and now looking east to the final segment of this highway to be improved.

Work will begin this November on the first phase of the SR 76 East Project – improvements to the SR 76 and Interstate 15 (I-15) interchange.

Phase I upgrades include:

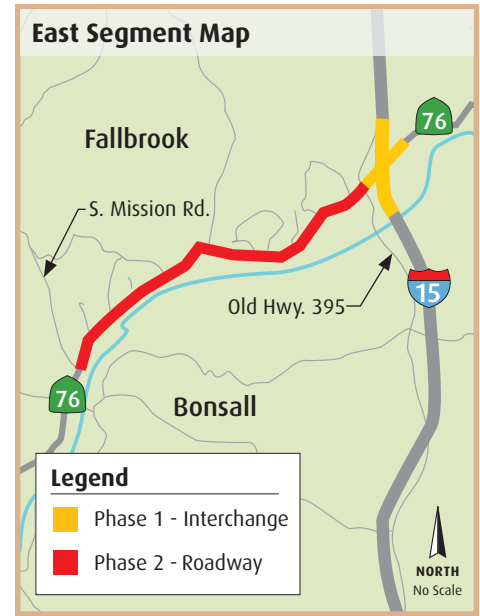
- ▶ Widening the existing SR 76 bridge over I-15
- ▶ Widening the existing on- and off-ramps from SR 76
- ▶ Adding two loop on-ramps from SR 76 to I-15

The second phase of the project will widen and realign SR 76 from two to four

lanes from South Mission Road to just east of Old Highway 395. That work is expected to begin in early 2014. By the end of 2015, the improved East Segment should be open to traffic.

The completion of the SR 76 East Segment will conclude the 20-year effort to widen SR 76 to a four-lane highway from Interstate 5 to I-15.

PROJECT SCHEDULE	
<b>PHASE 1</b>	Fall 2012 - Summer 2013
<b>PHASE 2</b>	Fall/Winter 2013 - Winter 2015



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