

SR 76 Middle Project Construction Update #1

January 2010

Long Awaited Construction Begins

Construction for the State Route (SR) 76 Middle Project ("Middle Project") will begin in early 2010. Once constructed, the project will reduce traffic congestion and enhance safety for SR 76 travelers.

The Middle Project is the second of three improvement projects to SR 76. This project will improve SR 76 from Melrose Drive in the City of Oceanside to South Mission Road in the community of Bonsall.

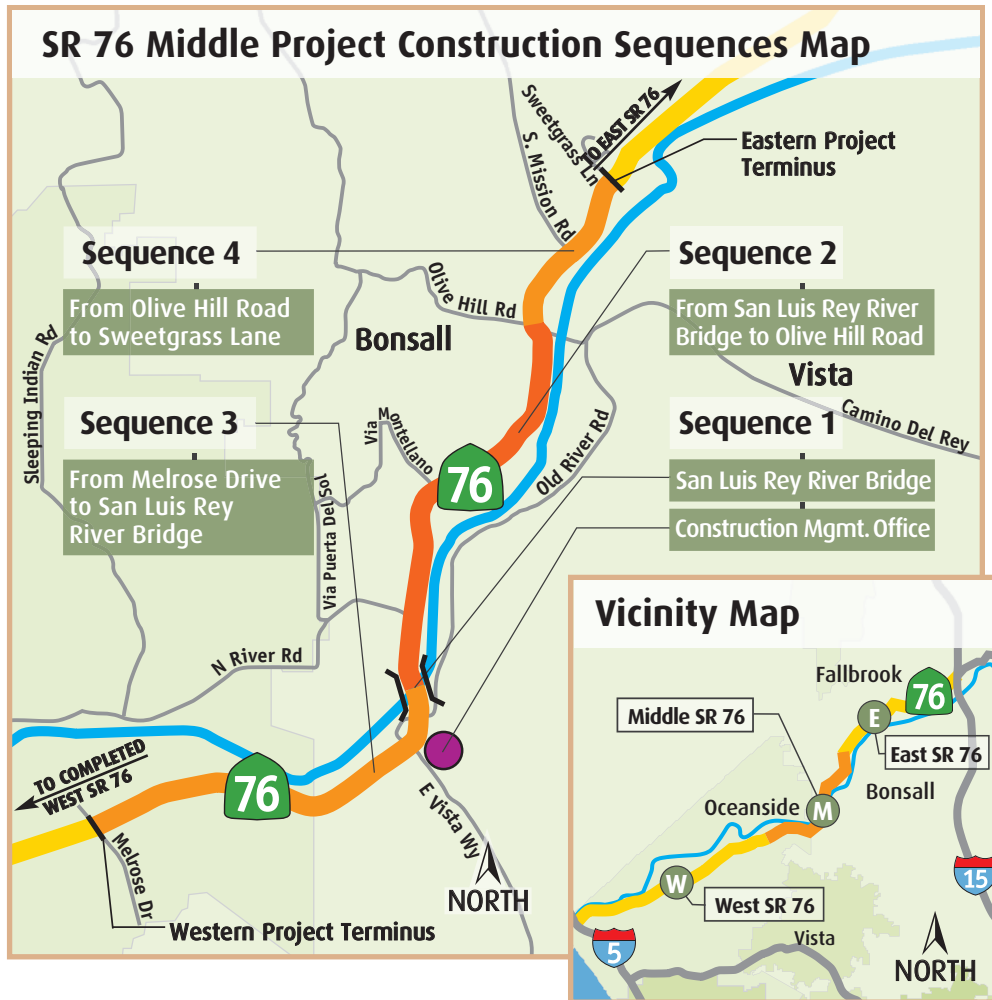
The first project, SR 76 West, was completed in 1999 and improved the highway from Interstate 5 to Melrose Drive. The third improvement project, SR 76 East, will widen and improve the highway from South Mission Road in Bonsall to Interstate 15.

Funding

Flatiron Contractors of San Marcos, CA will be the contractor building this \$76 million project. This project will be funded with Federal Stimulus Funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). SANDAG will also provide TransNet funds for the construction.

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SR 76 Middle Project Construction Sequences

The four construction sequences are:

Sequence 1 & 2: Begins January 2010

- ▶ Open construction management office at the corner of SR 76 and East Vista Way
- ▶ Begin construction of the new San Luis Rey River bridge adjacent to East Vista Way
- ▶ Improve SR 76 between the San Luis Rey River bridge and Olive Hill Road

Sequence 3 & 4: Begins Summer 2010

- ▶ Improve SR 76 between Melrose Drive and the new San Luis Rey River bridge
- ▶ Improve SR 76 between Olive Hill Road and Sweetgrass Lane

Due to an accelerated construction schedule, all work is targeted for completion by December 2012.

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First 3 Months of Construction and Project Challenges

Thank you in advance for your patience during construction. During the next 3 months, the contractor will: set up storm water and clean water measures, remove brush in the project area and drill for bridge columns at the San Luis Rey River crossing.

Project challenges include:

1) *Working in a highly sensitive environmental setting:* The contractor will

coordinate with environmental monitors, be sensitive to resources adjacent to the project area and be prepared to encounter unidentified resources.

2) *Traffic management during construction:* The contractor and Caltrans will proactively advise the community of construction activities that could impede traffic flow. We will do this by

issuing quarterly newsletters and posting updates to KeepSanDiegoMoving.

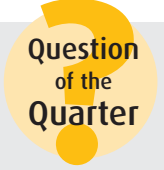
3) *Work within the San Luis Rey River floodplain:* The contractor and Caltrans will prepare for rain during the winter season and the potential for flooding which could impede the project schedule.



Caltrans Design Engineer

What's Been Done to Accelerate Construction?

The SR 76 Middle Project follows a design sequencing model, which allows Caltrans to build project elements where design is complete while concurrently completing design of remaining project elements. Also, design sequencing allows Caltrans to begin construction on this project prior to the completion of all design plans and the acquisition of all right of way. Additionally, Caltrans is partnering with the contractor to develop an aggressive work schedule.



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