



## I-5/SR 78 Interchange Project Fact Sheet

### The Project

The Interstate 5 (I-5) / State Route 78 (SR 78) Interchange Project is in the early planning phase. Caltrans is currently evaluating alternatives that could include improvements such as direct freeway-to-freeway connectors from southbound I-5 to eastbound SR 78 and westbound SR 78 to southbound I-5; direct access ramps for carpool/high occupancy vehicles (HOV) and transit vehicle linkage. Improvements to the I-5/SR 78 interchange are part of the SANDAG 2050 Regional Transportation Plan and is slated for construction between 2035-2040.



Project study area shown above.

### Project Benefits:

Motorists traveling between SR 78 and I-5 experience significant delays due to the lack of direct freeway-to-freeway connections. These movements are currently handled via a traffic signal at the I-5 southbound ramps/Vista Way intersection, which causes significant traffic delay and air quality impacts not only on the freeway, but within the adjacent community. Travel demand within the interchange is projected to increase, which will place further stress on the interchange. With this in mind, the I-5/SR 78 Interchange Project will provide a variety of benefits to North County residents and commuters, including:

- Improving traffic operations within the project area for local motorists, increasing interchange capacity and improving overall air quality by reducing idling vehicles.
- Reducing travel times and congestion through the interchange for regional commuters.
- Potentially providing carpool/HOV and transit vehicle connectivity between two important regional transportation corridors.
- Supporting plans for the Buena Vista Lagoon Restoration Project as well as North Coast Corridor Program.

### Project Schedule and Funding



#### Community Scoping Process (Completed)

2014-2015

#### Environmental Studies

2023-2028

#### Funding Sources

TBD

#### Total Project Cost

TBD

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