



## Regional Planning Partnership

April 16, 2014

### Fix 50 Update

**Issue:** What questions does the Partnership have for Caltrans regarding the Fix 50 project?

**Recommendation:** None. This is for information only.

**Discussion:** Caltrans is scheduled to rehabilitate a section of U.S. Highway 50, known as the W/X Viaduct, beginning April 22, and wrapping up June 25, 2014. At the meeting, Caltrans District 3 staff will give a PowerPoint presentation on the project.

Built in 1968, this section of freeway is comprised of two 2,530 foot-long parallel structures that carry six lanes of traffic over city streets, freight, and light rail lines in downtown Sacramento. These structures have extensive cracking on the deck and are in need of rehabilitation to enhance safety, reduce recurring maintenance costs, and increase the life of the concrete decks.

The project includes placing a 4-inch concrete deck on top of the existing deck and tying it to the girders, repairing cracks in the existing deck, adding steel column casings for seismic strengthening, and improving traffic operations throughout the project area. The service life of the structure decks will be extended to about 20 years, which will significantly reduce maintenance expenditures. The completed project will also provide widening at the shoulders, new joint seals, new concrete barriers and railings, energy-efficient lighting standards, and enhanced safety.

Each phase of the project will be worked on 24 hours per day, 7 days a week, as follows:

#### **Eastbound Highway 50:** April 22 – May 21

- [Phase 1](#): April 22 – May 6, the 11th Street on-ramp will be closed.
- [Phase 2](#): May 7 – May 21, The following ramps will be closed:
  - 16th Street on ramp – connector ramp from eastbound Highway 50 to southbound Highway 99
  - Connector ramp from eastbound Highway 50 to eastbound Business 80
- At least 3 lanes will be open
- Westbound traffic will be fully open as normal with no impact

#### **Westbound Highway 50:** May 27 – June 25

- [Phase 1](#): May 27 – June 10
- [Phase 2](#): June 11 – June 25, The following ramps will be closed:
  - 16th Street off-ramp
  - Connector ramp from westbound Business 80 to westbound Highway 50
- At least 3 lanes will be open
- Eastbound traffic will be fully open as normal with no impact

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