



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE TOWN COUNCIL: STUDY
SESSION AGENDA
SEPTEMBER 15, 2026
110 EAST MAIN STREET AND VIA TELECONFERENCE
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5:00 PM**

*Rob Moore, Mayor
Maria Ristow, Vice Mayor
Mary Badame, Council Member
Matthew Hudes, Council Member
Rob Rennie, Council Member*

IMPORTANT NOTICE

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS *(Members of the public are welcome to address the Town Council only on matters listed on the agenda. Town resources may not be used to facilitate audio or visual presentations. Each speaker is limited to no more than three (3) minutes or such time as authorized by the Mayor.)*

OTHER BUSINESS *(Each speaker is limited to no more than three (3) minutes or such time as authorized by the Mayor.)*

- 1. Study Session Regarding State Route 17 Corridor Congestion Relief Project.**
RECOMMENDATION: Receive a presentation from Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority staff regarding the State Route 17 Corridor Congestion Relief Project.

The Town Council, by majority vote, may direct staff to coordinate the preparation of FAQs, summary minutes, or a verbatim transcript of this meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE

The public is welcome to provide oral comments in real-time during the meeting in three ways:

- **Zoom Webinar (Online):** Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device. Please click this URL to join: <https://losgatosca.gov.zoom.us/j/86730363468?pwd=pfKQoh92JnbwOYwFvZqldSSWpJxYoK.1>
Passcode: **577971**. You can also type in **867 3036 3468** in the "Join a Meeting" page on the Zoom website at zoom.us and use passcode **577971**. When the Chair announces the item for which you wish to speak, click the "raise hand" feature in Zoom. If you are participating by phone on the Zoom app, press *9 on your telephone keypad to raise your hand.
- **Telephone:** Please dial 1 (855) 758-1310 for US Toll-free or 1 (408) 961-3928 for US Toll. (Meeting ID: **867 3036 3468**)
If you are participating by calling in, press *9 on your telephone keypad to raise your hand.
- **In-Person:** Please complete a "speaker's card" located on the back of the chamber benches and return it to the Town Clerk before the meeting or when the Chair announces the item for which you wish to speak.

NOTES: Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less at the Chair's discretion.

If you are unable to participate in real-time, you may email Clerk@losgatosca.gov with the subject line "Public Comment Item #__" (insert the item number relevant to your comment).

Deadlines to submit public comments are:

-3:00 p.m. the business day before the meeting for inclusion in an addendum.

-11:00 a.m. on the day of the meeting for inclusion in a desk item.



**TOWN OF LOS GATOS
COUNCIL AGENDA REPORT**

MEETING DATE: 09/15/2026

ITEM NO. 1.

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DATE: September 15, 2026
TO: Mayor and Town Council
FROM: Chris Constantin, Town Manager
SUBJECT: **Study Session Regarding State Route 17 Corridor Congestion Relief Project**

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REMARKS:

Staff from the Department of Parks and Public Works has been working with Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA), California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and their consultant team to support development of the State Route 17 Corridor Congestion Relief Project (CIP No. 8142; Legacy Project Number 831-0237). The purpose of the project is to relieve congestion and improve traffic flow on State Route 17 (SR17), reduce cut through traffic in the Town of Los Gatos, improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities and connectivity between east and west sides of SR 17, and support future multi-modal congestion relief solutions.

At this meeting, VTA staff will present an overview of the project design and how the project will improve local conditions in Town and along SR 17.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:

This Project is being reviewed under both CEQA and NEPA statutory requirements and a Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment is being finalized for public circulation and public comment.

Attachments:

1. VTA Presentation Materials

PREPARED BY: Nicolle Burnham
Parks and Public Works Director

Reviewed by: Town Manager

SR 17 Corridor Congestion Relief Project

Town of Los Gatos
Town Council Special Session

September 15th, 2026

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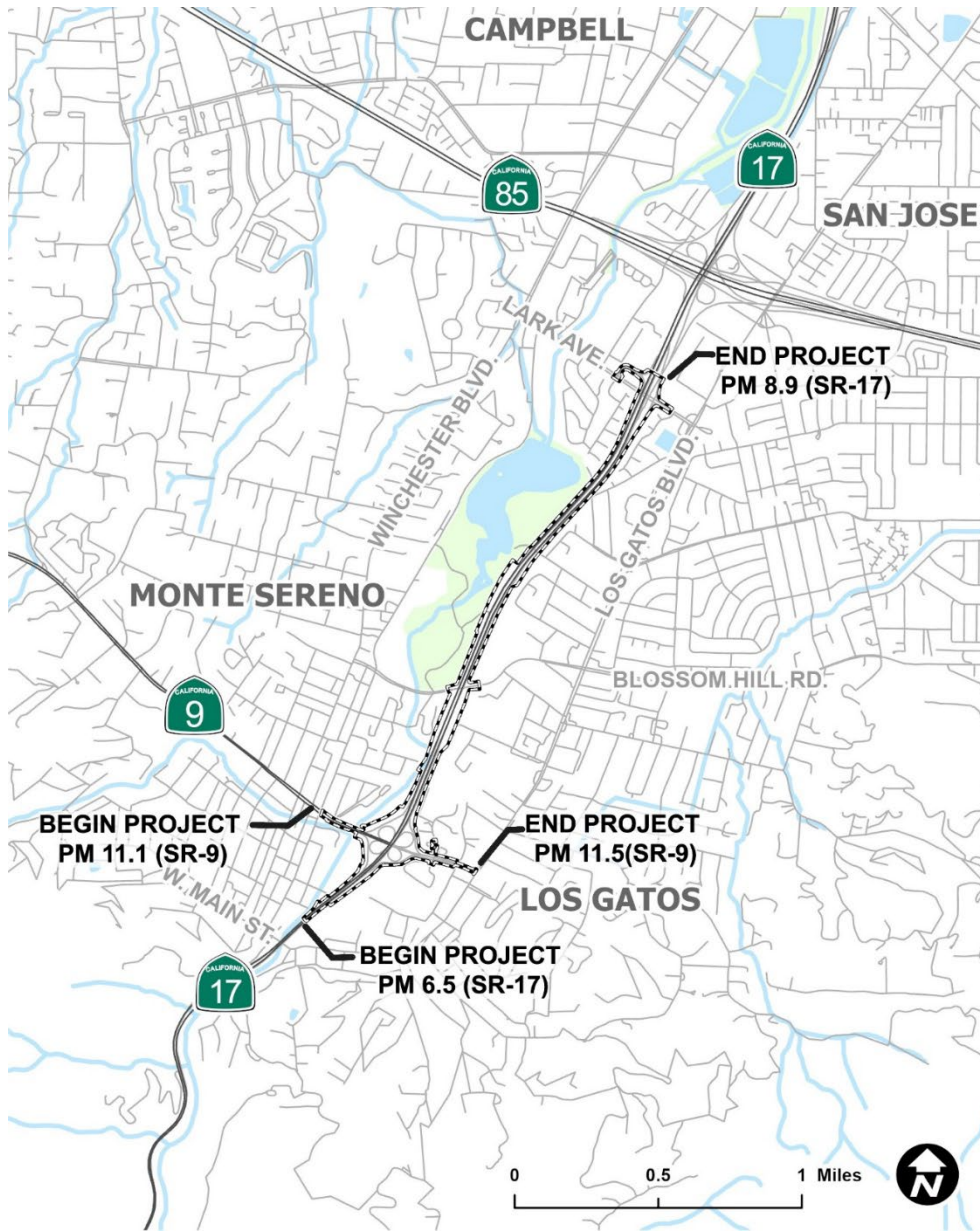
Project Overview



Existing Conditions

- Current freeway consists of four-lanes, two in each direction
- High peak-hour congestion, anticipated to increase with future growth
 - freeway congestion encourages traffic to cut-through the Town of Los Gatos
 - cut-through traffic degrades operations on local streets
- Beach traffic on weekends and high temperature days contribute to local road backups and congestion
- Cloverleaf interchange creates bottleneck effect due to short weaving distances between successive loop on- and off-ramps
- Insufficient facilities for bicycles and pedestrians





Project Purpose

- Reduce congestion and improve mainline traffic operations on SR 17
- Reduce cut-through traffic in the Town of Los Gatos
- Improve SR 17 / SR 9 interchange operations
- Improve bicycle and pedestrian mobility and connectivity in the Town of Los Gatos across SR 17

Project Status:

- PA/ED
- All environmental technical studies completed
- Draft Environmental Document circulated to public

Cost:

- \$178M (escalated)

Schedule:

- current - 2031

Stakeholders:

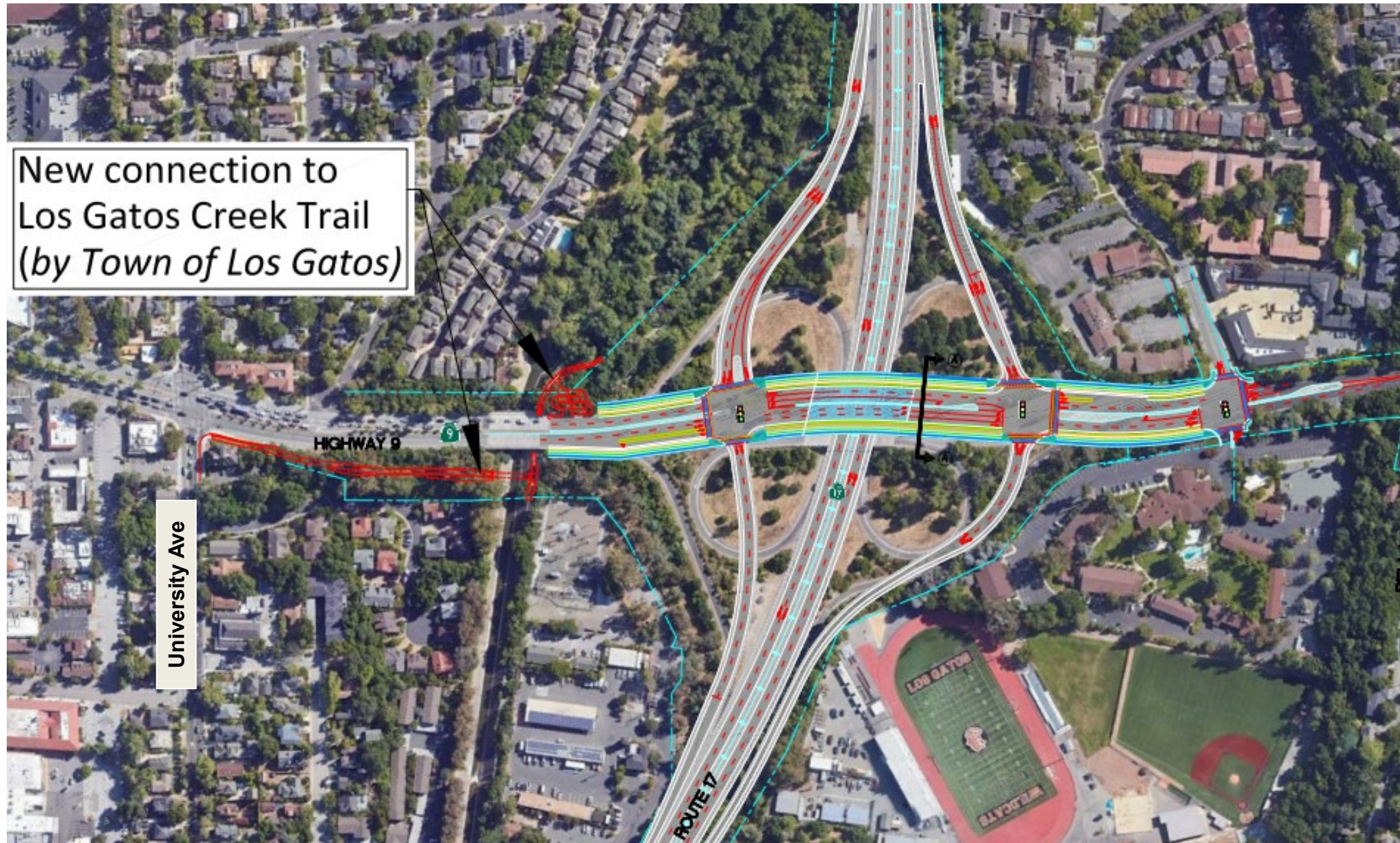


Project Features



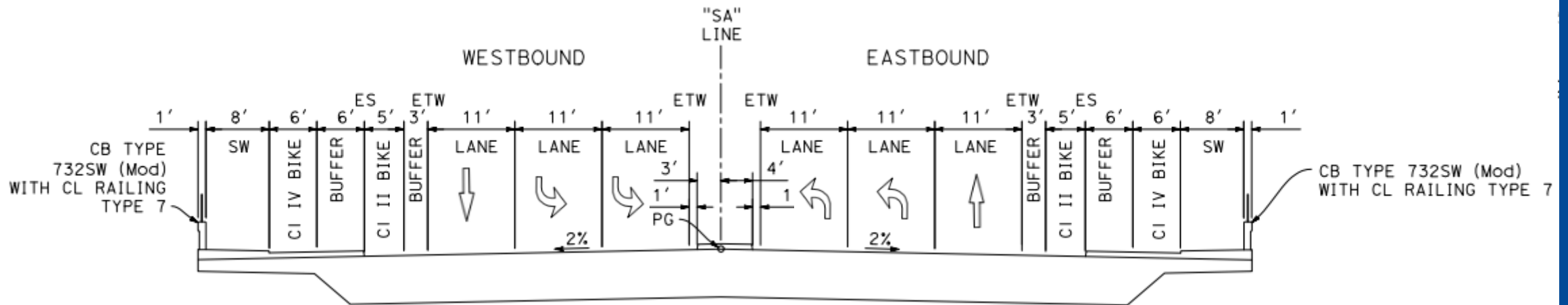
Spread Diamond Interchange

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Proposed Features

- Addition of third lane in both NB and SB directions on SR 17
- High-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane added to the NB diagonal on-ramp
- Construction of retaining walls along SR 17 to minimize right-of-way impacts, slope grading, and reduce tree removal
- Signalized SR 9 and ramp intersections, ramp metering to both on-ramps
- Existing SR 9 separation structure would be replaced with new, realigned six lane structure

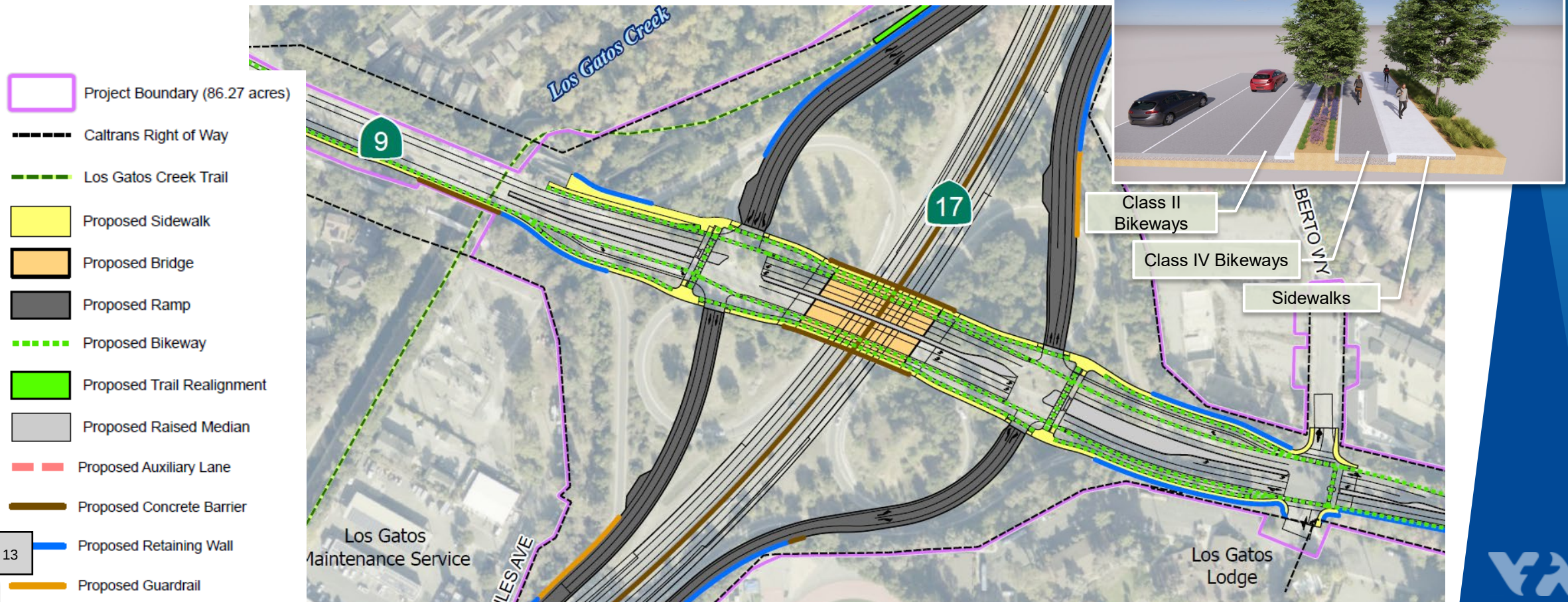


SR 9 Overcrossing Typical Section

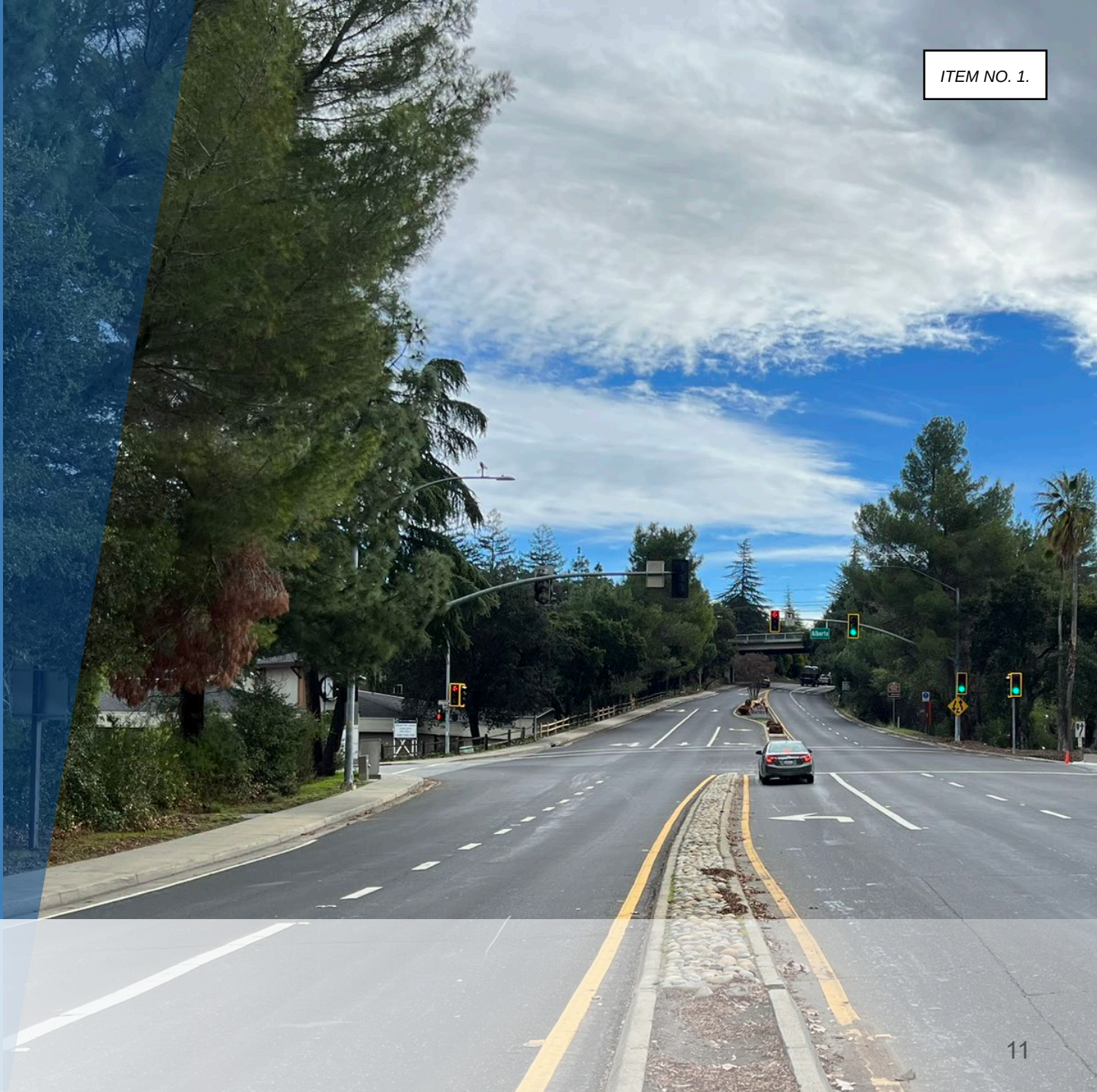
Active Transportation Features

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- Strengthened connectivity to the Los Gatos Creek Trail
- Class I, Class II, and Class IV bicycle facilities
- Sidewalks on both EB and WB sides of SR 9
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- Landscaped buffers and raised/curbed medians



Next Steps



Circulation of Draft Environmental Document

- Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Assessment nearing completion
- Filing Notice of Availability (NOA) with state
- Opportunity for public comment and to obtain responses from the Project team

Feedback & Questions

Thank you for your time & attention

