



# Soquel to Morrissey

AUXILIARY LANES PROJECT

## Project Update Meeting

Wednesday, May 30, 2012

DeLaveaga Elementary School, Multipurpose Room

1145 Morrissey Boulevard, Santa Cruz

Open House: 6:30 to 8:00 PM

Presentation and Q&A: 7:00 to 8:00 PM

Dear Santa Cruz Neighbor,

Please join your neighbors and the Santa Cruz County Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for an update on the **Highway 1 Soquel-Morrissey Auxiliary Lanes Project**.

Construction started in early 2012. The project will add auxiliary lanes to Highway 1 between Soquel Avenue and Morrissey Boulevard to extend the weaving and merging distance for traffic entering and exiting the freeway.

### Topics covered at this meeting will include:

- La Fonda Overcrossing Demolition and Reconstruction
- Traffic Control/Safety Measures
- School Programs

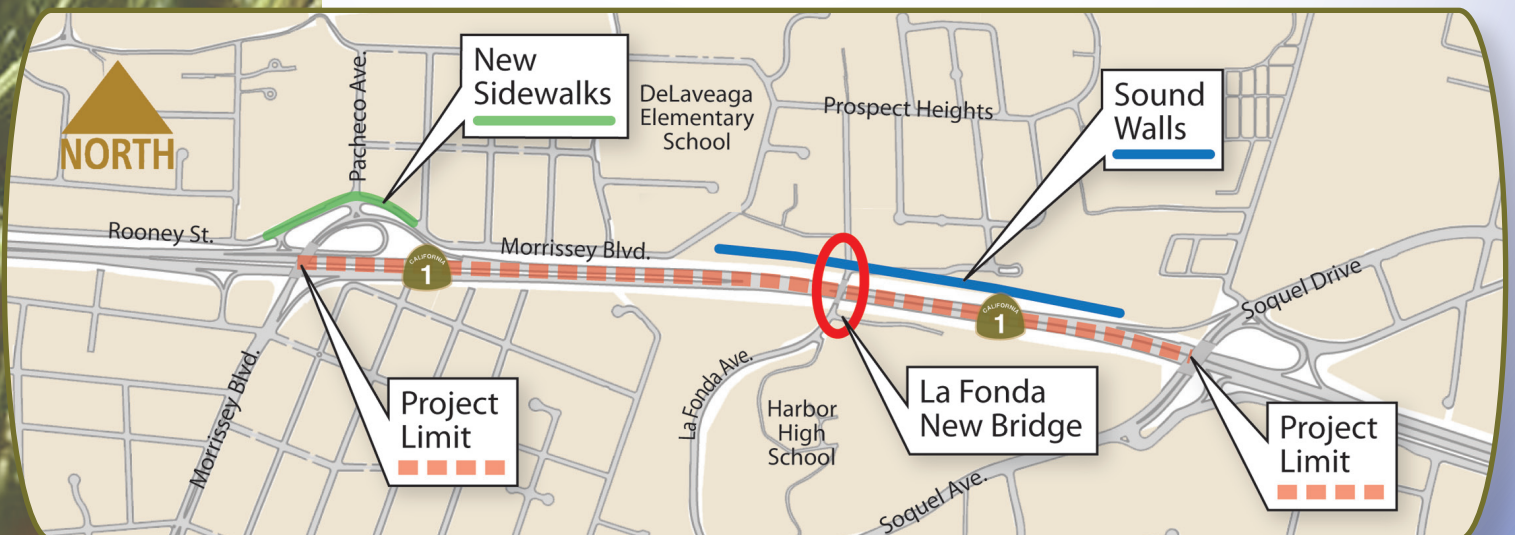
Thank you for your consideration and patience during the construction process.

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*The Regional Transportation Commission (RTC) for Santa Cruz County is the construction manager for the project with the assistance of Caltrans and construction consultants.*



## La Fonda Avenue Overcrossing Reconstruction – Answers to your questions

**WHAT:** The La Fonda Avenue Overcrossing, between the Soquel and Morrissey Interchanges, on Highway 1 will be demolished and reconstructed. Every effort is being made to remove the crossing during the summer to lessen the disruption to the community and to minimize the total number of days the crossing is out of service.

**WHEN:** Demolition is scheduled for summer 2012. The actual date will depend on the status of preparatory work including completion of adjacent retaining wall segments and relocation of utilities (water, gas, electric, phone, cable) currently spanning the bridge by four different providers.

**DURATION:** Demolition is scheduled to take 6 days and 4 nights. For night work, the highway will be completely closed in one direction at a time and traffic diverted to Soquel Avenue and Morrissey Boulevard roughly between the hours of 11:00 PM and 5:00 AM (see project website for hours). The overcrossing will not be passable during reconstruction which will take 6-8 months.

**WHY:** The overcrossing will be lengthened to accommodate the auxiliary lanes on the highway and widened to provide bike lanes and wider sidewalks for pedestrians crossing the bridge.



**GETTING AROUND:** Options are limited. Efforts to reduce traffic -- by using alternatives such as bicycling, walking, carpooling and taking the bus -- are highly encouraged.

- By Car - Vehicles can use Morrissey Boulevard (two way) and Brookwood Lane (one way traveling SE only). Please allow extra time and exercise extreme caution, especially in school zones. Traffic on the highway and local streets will be monitored and managed with assistance from CHP and Santa Cruz City PD.
- Walking & Bicycling - The bicycle/pedestrian path between Park Way and La Fonda Avenue will be reconstructed and widened. "Sharrows" will be painted on many streets in the project area to let motorists and bicyclists know that the street is shared. Vegetation will be trimmed to improve sight distances on Brookwood Lane for one way auto/bicycle travel and two way pedestrian use. A new section of bicycle lane will be striped and sidewalk constructed on Rooney Street near Pacheco Ave.
- Shuttle - Harbor High and DeLaveaga Elementary students currently walking or bicycling across the La Fonda Bridge are eligible for the student shuttle. Please contact the RTC to find out if your child is eligible.

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**PROJECT INFORMATION:** Sign up for enews! Bulletins are sent out when new construction activity information is available.

**ADVICE FROM THE CONSTRUCTION TEAM:** Plan ahead, allow extra time, minimize traffic, and avoid the area, if possible.