

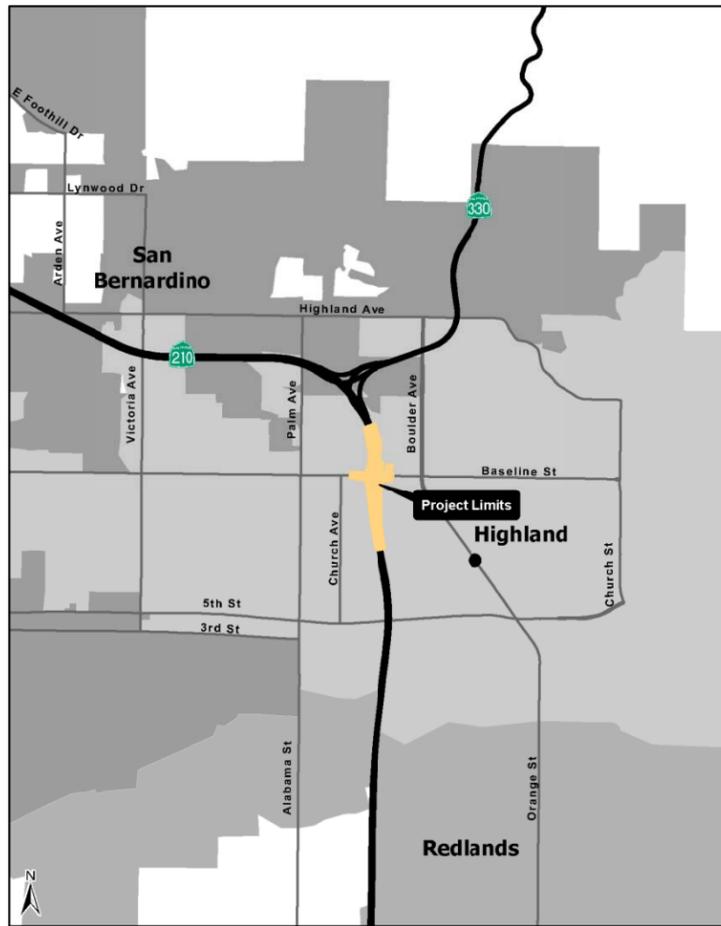


PUBLIC NOTICE

Announcement of Public Hearing State Route 210 / Base Line Interchange Project



Notice of Intent to Adopt a Mitigated Negative Declaration Notice of Availability of Initial Study



<p>WHAT IS BEING PLANNED?</p>	<p>San Bernardino Associated Governments (SANBAG), in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the City of Highland (City), proposes to improve the State Route 210 (SR-210)/Base Line Interchange (Post Miles Revised [R] 28.3/R30.3) in the City of Highland, San Bernardino County, California. Specifically, the project would widen Base Line from Buckeye Street to Seine Avenue and three of the four existing SR-210 interchange ramps would be widened to add through lanes, turn lanes, and storage for vehicle queues. A two-lane exit would be created at the westbound exit ramp. The eastbound and westbound entrance ramps would be widened to accommodate high occupancy vehicle preferential lanes. The existing Base Line overcrossing would be widened to accommodate the new lanes. Retaining walls would be constructed, as needed, in areas of widening. The majority of the work would occur within the existing Caltrans and City right of way and temporary construction easements; however, right of way would be needed along Base Line to accommodate the roadway widening.</p>
<p>WHY THIS AD?</p>	<p>Caltrans has studied the effects this project may have on the environment. The studies show it will not significantly affect the quality of the environment. The report that explains why is called an Initial Study (IS). If the IS identifies potentially significant impacts, but: (1) revisions in the project plans or proposals would avoid the impacts or mitigate the impacts to a point where clearly no significant impacts would occur, and (2) there is substantial evidence, in light of the whole record before the agency, that the project would not have a significant impact on the environment; therefore, a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) shall be prepared. This notice is to tell you of the preparation of the IS with Proposed MND and of its availability for you to read.</p> <p>A public hearing will be held to provide an opportunity to ask questions of Project Team members, regarding design features, the tentative schedule for the proposed project, and when the project will be constructed, before the final design is selected.</p> <p>In addition, this notice is to advise of the availability of, and opportunity to comment on, the IS with Proposed MND prepared for the project.</p>
<p>WHAT'S AVAILABLE?</p>	<p>Maps for the IS with Proposed MND and other project information are available for review on weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">San Bernardino Associated Governments 1170 W. 3rd Street, 2nd Floor San Bernardino, CA 92410-1715</p> <p>The IS with Proposed MND is also available for review at the following locations during operating hours: Highland Sam J. Racadio Library & Environmental Learning Center located at 7863 Central Avenue in the City of Highland, CA 92346. Additionally, the Initial Study with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration may be downloaded from SANBAG's website at: http://www.sanbag.ca.gov/projects/interchange_210BaseLine.html</p>
<p>WHERE YOU COME IN</p>	<p>Do you have any comments about processing the project with an IS with Proposed MND? Do you disagree with the findings of our study as set forth in the Proposed MND? Would you care to make any other comments on the project? Please submit your comments in writing no later than June 7, 2016, to:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Mr. Kurt Heidelberg, Senior Environmental Planner Environmental Studies "D" Branch Chief California Department of Transportation, District 8 464 West 4th Street, 6th Floor, MS 820 San Bernardino, CA 92401-2841 or via email to: SR-210-BaselineICImprovements@dot.ca.gov</p> <p>Please use "SR-210/Base Line Interchange Project" in the subject line.</p> <p>The date we will begin accepting comments is May 9, 2016. Comments regarding the IS with Proposed MND may also be submitted in person at the public hearing on May 25, 2016. If there are no major comments, SANBAG, in cooperation with Caltrans, will proceed with the project's design.</p>
<p>WHEN AND WHERE</p>	<p>The public hearing will be on Wednesday, May 25, 2016 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at City of Highland Council Chambers, 27215 Base Line, in the City of Highland, CA 92346. For individuals with sensory disabilities, this document can be made available in Braille, in large print, on audiocassette, or on computer disk. To obtain a copy in one of these alternate formats, please call or write to SANBAG, Attention: Tim Watkins, 1170 W. 3rd Street, 2nd Floor San Bernardino, CA 92410-1715, or use the California Relay Service 1 (800) 735-2929 (TTY), 1 (800) 735-2929 (Voice) or 711.</p>
<p>CONTACT</p>	<p>For more information about this study or any transportation matter, call Tim Watkins at (909) 884-8276 x139. Thank you for your interest in this project.</p>