

# FACT SHEET



## THE PROJECT

This project proposes to realign several curves, widen shoulders, add a southbound left-turn pocket at Greenhorn Access Road intersection, and improve the Clear Recovery Zone (CRZ) on State Route (SR) 174 from Maple Way to You Bet Road, post mile (PM) 2.7 to PM 4.6 in Nevada County, California.

## THE NEED

The purpose of this project is to improve safety and operations for all users, including bicyclists and pedestrians. This project is needed to help reduce the number and severity of collisions within this segment of SR 174.

The current design standard for this type of highway requires 12' wide lanes, 8' wide shoulders, and a 20-foot CRZ beyond the lane line on each side of the highway. Existing lanes generally range in width from approximately 11 to 11.3 feet. Existing shoulders range in width from approximately 0.1 to 5.3 feet, but are generally less than 1.5 feet wide. Fixed objects, such as trees and utility poles, located within the CRZ will need to be removed. This section of highway also has curves requiring speeds of 30-35 MPH. The benefits of wider shoulders include:

- enhanced pedestrian and bicyclist safety
- provide additional room for an errant vehicle to recover and correct direction of travel
- provide additional room off the traveled-way for emergency response vehicles such as fire trucks, ambulances, law-enforcement, tow trucks, etc.
- provide additional room off the traveled-way for mail carriers, garbage trucks, newspaper delivery vehicles, etc.
- provided additional room off the traveled-way for disabled or broken down vehicles.



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## PROJECT STATUS

Caltrans staff are conducting preliminary design. The Draft Environmental Document (DED) began public circulation for review and comments on **June 2, 2016**. To obtain a copy of the DED, go to the website: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist3/departments/envinternet/envdoc.htm>. Copies can also be obtained at the Caltrans District 3 Office, 703 B St., Marysville Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. To submit comments, please email Mundeep Purewal at: [mundeep.purewal@dot.ca.gov](mailto:mundeep.purewal@dot.ca.gov)

## PROJECT CONSTRUCTION COST AND SCHEDULE

Programmed Construction Cost	\$17 million
Begin Environmental Studies and Preliminary Design	February 2015
Circulate Draft Environmental Document for Comments	June 2016
Project Approval and Final Environmental Document	August 2016
Begin Acquiring Right of Way	January 2017
Begin Construction	September 2019
Complete Construction	November 2021

## PROVIDING INPUT

There are three ways you can provide input to our process. Please take a comment sheet and submit comments by **July 1, 2016**:

- 1) Place your comments into the comment box tonight;
- 2) Mail your comments to the address on the back of the comment sheet; or
- 3) Email your comments to Liza Whitmore-Public Information Officer at: [liza.whitmore@dot.ca.gov](mailto:liza.whitmore@dot.ca.gov).

