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EA	CO/RTE/PM	DESCRIPTION	COMMENTS
4F370	Nev-174 2.7/4.6	Safety Improvement from Maple Way to You Bet Road	<p>This project proposes to realign curves, widen shoulders, add a left turn lane at Greenhorn Access Rd., and improve the clear recovery zone between Maple Way and You Bet Rd. on State Route (SR) 174 in Nevada County. The purpose of this project is to improve safety and operations for all users, including bicyclists and pedestrians. It will help reduce the number and severity of collisions on the existing highway. This project was amended into the 2014 State Highway Operations and Protection Program (SHOPP) in September 2014, with a revised total cost of \$28,456,000, including Engineering, Environmental, Right-of-Way (R/W), and Construction. Preliminary Engineering work and Environmental studies continue to take place. Circulation of the Draft Environmental Document (DED) was completed on June 2, 2016. A public meeting was held on June 9, 2016 at the Chicago Park School. During the meeting 46-people “signed-in” and the public comment period regarding the project/DED concludes on July 1, 2016. All public comments were answered and the Project Report and Environmental Document were completed on 9/2/2016 and Final Design started. Construction is scheduled summer 2019. An informational open house was held May 24 at the Chicago Park School. During this meeting 95 people “signed-in”. Updates on the status of the project and the R/W process were provided. The majority of those attending the meeting expressed that they were not happy with the proposed design and its impacts on their property or the general atmosphere of the “rural” feel of SR 174. The State has been getting emails expressing their dissatisfaction. We have had meetings with Nevada County Supervisor, Heidi Hall regarding the project as well as a phone meeting with California Assemblyman Dahle. Ms. Hall requested more accident data which we are working on providing. Assemblyman Dahle had been contacted by several of his constituents that are opposed to the project and asked several questions regarding the project. He was appreciative of the information provided him and was in support of this safety project. He commented that if just one life is saved by these changes the project was worth it. The State is continuing to and answer people’s questions as they come up with assistance from NCTC staff.</p>
4E170	Nev-49 11.1/13.3	Widen SR 49 to 5-lanes, starting at the north end of SR 49/La Barr Meadows Project to just before McKnight Way Interchange	<p>This project proposes to make this section of the highway a four-lane conventional access control highway with a continuous median/left turn lane, and 8-foot shoulders to be consistent with the highway to the north and to the south to improve traffic operations and safety. The project is located south of Grass Valley in Nevada County, between PM 11.2, the north end of the SR 49/La Barr Meadows project, and PM 13.3, near the McKnight Way interchange. This project is programmed in the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) from the Regional Improvement Program (RIP). The Project Approval & Environmental Documentation (PA&ED) phase is programmed for \$3 million, and the Plans, Specifications, and Estimates (PS&E) is also programmed for \$3 million. Preliminary Engineering is taking place and field surveys are complete. An Open House was held on 8/5/15 at Grass Valley City Hall to present project information and project concept options to the public. Results from the meeting showed alternative option #4, 22-ft wide median freeway with median barrier and frontage roads, as the one the public favored most. Design is working on the preliminary preferred alternative option #4 and Right of Way is working on permits to enter for environmental field work. Environmental work has started including searching cultural survey data. A PDT meeting was held 6/19/17 to discuss the current status of the project and the large number of archeological sites that have been discovered throughout the project limits. More extensive archeological studies are going to be required to determine each sites historical significance. This information is required to complete the environmental document. These studies are estimated to cost approx. \$900k. The PDT and NCTC Staff are in agreement in moving forward with these studies so the environmental document can be completed. Caltrans will have another public meeting after the Draft Environmental Document is complete spring of 2019 to present the alternatives to the public for comment and a preferred alternative will be selected.</p>



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4F740	Nev-49 23.2/32.6	Hot Mix Asphalt (HMA) Overlay	This project proposes to preserve and extend the life of the existing pavement and improve ride quality. The project limits extend from 1.2 miles north of the South Yuba River Bridge on SR 49 to the Yuba County line (approximately 9.4 miles). This project proposes to Cold-in-Place Recycle (CIR) the existing pavement and the placement of a new HMA overlay. All new HMA surfaces will also receive new striping. This project was amended into the 2014 SHOPP on 11/07/14 for a total cost of \$7,579,000, including Engineering, Environmental, R/W, and Construction. The Project Report was completed on 3/15/16, and final design by September 2016. The Project has been awarded to Mercer Fraser Company. Construction on this project has begun.
2F590	Yub-20 20.1/21.7	Safety Project, Widen Shoulders, Correct Curves	The purpose of this project is to reduce the number and severity of collisions along SR 20 in Yuba and Nevada Counties from 0.2 mile east of Lower Smartsville Road to Mooney Flat Road by upgrading the existing roadway to current standards. This project will realign a portion of the existing highway which includes building a new bridge, and widening the existing highway to accommodate uniform 12 foot lanes and 8 foot shoulders. It will improve non-standard curves, improve vertical profile, increase sight distances, add turn pockets, upgrade existing drainage facilities, and provide a 20 foot clear recovery zone. The current programmed amount is \$28,780,000 which includes Engineering, Environmental, R/W, and Construction. The Project Report was completed on 1/29/2016. Final design and R/W work has started and is scheduled to be completed by spring 2018. This project is scheduled to go to construction during the fall of 2018.