

Alpine Road Corridor Improvement Project

Public works wants to provide an update for the Alpine Road Corridor Improvement Project (spanning from the unincorporated San Mateo County/Menlo Park boundary to the unincorporated San Mateo County/Portola Valley boundary) to the BPAC.

The Project Initiation Document (PID) phase was completed and approved by Caltrans in August 2025. Approval of the PID by Caltrans authorizes a project to move to the Project Approval and Environmental Document (PA&ED) phase, where the project is cleared environmentally, and the preferred alternative is selected. Obtaining Caltrans approval for the Project better positions the County and Department for future grant funding opportunities. The PID document is available on the Project website for download. Other correspondence with the public is being compiled and will be uploaded to the project website when ready.

Additionally, in September 2024, the Department applied for the San Mateo County Transportation Authority (SMCTA) Cycle 7 Ped and Bike Program Funding and was awarded \$2M for the PA&ED phase of the project (with a required 10% match).

In July 2025, the SMCTA issued a Call for Projects for Highway Program funds. SMCTA met with County staff and recommended the County prepare a funding application for the Highway Program as more funds were available. If successful for the Highway Program grant, the \$2M awarded from the Cycle 7 Ped and Bike program would be returned to the SMCTA.

The Department is seeking Board approval on October 21, 2025 to submit a grant application for the SMCTA Highway Program funding for the Project's PA&ED phase for \$4,950,000 (with a 10% local match for a total project cost of \$5,500,000) for the PA&ED Project phase.

If Highway Program funding is awarded, the County and SMCTA initiate the process to select a qualified consultant on SMCTA's on-call consultant list and begin the PA&ED in early 2026. The PA&ED phase will have extensive outreach opportunities for public engagement while the Project alternatives and design features are defined and undergo detailed environmental analysis.

Speed Limit Study Near Schools in Unincorporated County areas

The Department is providing an update on the Consultant study for School Zone Prioritization and Speed Limit evaluation. The consultant began work in June 2025 to gather and review data and documents from the Department, accident data from SWITRS, and other relevant documents such as Safe Routes to School studies. They are currently analyzing and summarizing the data to prepare an existing conditions report. We anticipate the report be completed in early 2026.

A total of 1,250 street segments were analyzed in the unincorporated County areas.

The next steps are to establish an evaluation and prioritization criteria for the roads near these schools that appear to qualify for reduced speed limits within a school zone, with best practices

that the Department should consider, such as the need for conducting Engineering & Traffic Surveys (E&TS) for both school and non-school zone speed limits. This will be followed by an AB413 (Daylighting) decision matrix, a Safety Corridor Analysis, and a Pilot Program for Farallone View Elementary School.