



State Route 37



OVERVIEW

State Route 37 is a key transportation corridor stretching from Highway 101 in Marin County to Interstate 80 Solano County. The one lane section of Highway 37 from Highway 121 to Vallejo is a regional congestion bottleneck, facing growing travel delay, and portions of the highway in Marin are susceptible to flooding during rainstorms, including multi-day closures of the highway in January 2017. Due to its strategic transportation role and environmentally sensitive natural footprint, it has been the subject of a long-range planning study by UC Davis and Caltrans, and is being evaluated by an advisory committee comprised of transportation authorities from the counties of Marin, Sonoma, Solano and Napa.

The SR 37 Policy Committee was formed in 2015 as part of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to discuss joint county efforts in improving the SR 37 Corridor to address sea level rise, traffic congestions, transit options and recreational activities.

PROJECT PARTNERS

Caltrans, Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and transportation authorities from Marin, Sonoma, Napa and Solano Counties.

COST AND FUNDING

Costs estimates for alternatives from previous studies (berm/embankment, box girder causeway and slab bridge causeway) range from \$1.26 to \$4.34 billion. An upcoming SR 37 project definition study will result in refined cost assumptions for near-, mid- and long-term considerations.

There is strong interest by the four north bay counties to have MTC support the development of the environmental document, estimated to be \$25 million, in the future RM3 program.

ISSUES/RESOLUTIONS

A 1,500-foot segment of the four-lane freeway, between Highway 101 and Atherton Avenue in Novato, has been either partially or fully closed due to the flooding of Novato Creek and king tides several times in January and February 2017.



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