Caltrans District 3
Successes and Needs in Sacramento County
Presented to the Sacramento Transportation Authority
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Thank you

• First, I would like to thank the STA Board and your staff for your past support for Caltrans effort to reduce congestion on the State Highway System in Sacramento County.

• With STA’s help, we are making significant progress in completing a network of Bus/Carpool or Managed Lanes on the State Highway System.
Sacramento Region Managed Lane Network Vision Is Becoming Reality
Ultimate Goal

Complete a network of Bus/Carpool Lanes on Sacramento Freeways

With interchange modifications to smooth transitions between freeways like the new connectors for 5/80 IC pictured at right.
How have we used Measure A Funds?

Through 2018, Caltrans was reimbursed by Measure A for $52.8 million of expenditures on 5 projects.

1. Interstate 5/ Interstate 80 Interchange Upgrade - $1.5 M
2. Interstate 80 Bus/Carpool Lanes (aka 80 Across the Top) - $0.7 M
3. US Highway 50 Bus/Carpool Lanes Ph 1 – Watt to Sunrise - $32.8 M
4. Interstate 5 Bus/Carpool Lanes – Elk Grove to Downtown - $3.2 M
5. US Highway 50 Bus/Carpool Lanes Ph 2 – I-5 to Watt - $14.6 M
Measure A covered $1.5 million of the $5.0 million spent to complete initial the environmental studies and the preliminary engineering for a future upgrade to the I-5/I-80 Interchange in North Natomas.
Interstate 80 Bus/Carpool Lanes & Rehabilitation “80 Across the Top”
$0.7 million

Less than $1 Million in early seed money from Measure A positioned this $136 Million project to compete effectively for funding from SACOG, the Proposition 1B Corridor Mobility Improvement Account, and the State Highway Operation and Protection Program.
US Highway 50 Bus/Carpool Lanes Phase 1
Watt Ave to Sunrise Boulevard
$32.8 million Measure A
$ 7.2 million Prop 1B State & Local Partnership

This $100 million project constructed Bus/Carpool Lanes from Watt Avenue to Sunrise Boulevard to provide significant congestion relief in eastern Sacramento.

Project included Community Enhancements and contributions to improve to Sacramento RTs Light Rail Gold Line.
Interstate 5 Bus/Carpool Lanes & Rehabilitation
Elk Grove to US 50
$3.2 million expended - $30 million remaining allocation

Combining the Bus/Carpool Lanes with the Rehabilitation Project saved more than $100 million from the original estimate to construct the Bus/Carpool lanes as separate project.

STA Board’s acceleration of $30 million helped secure $15 million from the Senate Bill 1 Solutions for Congested Corridors Program to fully fund this $332 million comprehensive corridor project.

Local funds from SACOG and STA represent less than 13% of the total cost of optimizing this segment of I-5.

Project Awarded May 1, 2019
US Highway 50 Bus/Carpool Lanes Phase II & Rehabilitation Project – I-5 to Watt Avenue
$14.6 million expended - $13.9 million remaining allocation

This portion of US 50 is a major choke point restricting mobility on all freeways in central Sacramento.

STA Board Decision in 2017 to accelerate $12.5 million allowed Caltrans to compete successfully for $90 million from the Senate Bill 1 (SB1) Solutions For Congested Corridors Program to fully fund the $442 million comprehensive corridor project. The SB 1 grant includes $20.3 million for upgrades to Sac RT’s Gold Line that will be constructed separately.

Anticipate Awarding a Design Build Contract and beginning construction next year.
OVER $3.5 BILLION WILL BE ULTIMATELY BE NEEDED TO COMPLETE THE MANAGED LANE NETWORK IN THE SACRAMENTO REGION.

NEXT PRIORITY CORRIDORS IN SACRAMENTO COUNTY

CAP CITY FREEWAY

I- 5 TO THE AIRPORT
The Cap City Freeway is the biggest bottleneck in the regional transportation network.

The State has programmed $137 million for rehabilitation of the American River Bridge.

SACOG has allocated $14 million to complete environmental studies for and begin design of the first segment of the bus/carpool lane project from J Street to Arden Way.

$417 million more will be needed to construct the first segment to Arden.

$400 million is the estimate to extend the bus/carpool lanes from Arden Way to I-80 in the future.
Interstate 5 Bus/Carpool Lanes
US 50 to Sacramento International Airport

Valley Vision has identified improved access to Sacramento International Airport as one of the Region’s greatest needs.

SACOG has allocated $3 million to begin environmental studies and preliminary design. Need $497 million to complete entire project.