Welcome to Tonight’s Forum

» Project Milestone: Release of Draft Environmental Document
» Bring Together Project sponsors (Caltrans & Alameda CTC) and you
» Introduce Project Need, History, Design and Environmental Results
» Facilitate Interaction with the Project Team (Engineering, Design Real Estate and Environmental)
» Solicit Feedback, Comments and Questions
Project Purpose

» Improve Safety for All Modes of Transportation.
» Simplify and Improve the Navigation, Mobility, and Traffic Operations at the I-80/Gilman Street Interchange.
» Reduce Congestion, Vehicle Queues and Conflicts at the I-80/Gilman Street Interchange.
» Improve Local and Regional Bicycle Connections and Pedestrian Facilities through the I-80/Gilman Street Interchange.
Project History

» 1998-2014: Numerous Studies Concluded:
  » Signalization, Stop Signs and Diamond Interchange would Fail
  » Only Workable Solution is Roundabouts

» October 2014: Caltrans Approval of PSR/PDS

» Fall 2015: Conceptual Design/Environmental Studies Begins

» October 2017: Stakeholder Working Group Formed

» December 2018: Environmental Document Released (Comments due February 5)

» 2016-2019: Ongoing Outreach
  » Open Houses, Berkeley Transportation Commission, Stakeholder Meetings
Overview of Roundabouts

- Two Roundabouts
- Sidewalk and at-grade crossings through interchange
- Landscaping in and around both roundabouts
- Roundabouts designed to accommodate all tractor-semitrailors
Eastern Roundabout viewed from northwest near Golden Gate Fields
Other Project Design Elements

» Multi-Modal Improvements
  » Pedestrian/Bicycle Overcrossing over I-80
  » Bicycle and Pedestrian Path Through I-80 Undercrossing
  » Two-way Cycle Track on Gilman from East Roundabout To New Signal at Fourth Street
  » Bike Improvements from Gilman / Fourth Street to Codornices Creek

» Bay Trail Gap Closure at Foot of Gilman Street
Pedestrian/Bicycle Overcrossing

Visual simulation from Interstate 80 Eastbound looking north

Illustrations are conceptual drafts subject to change

Interstate 80/Gilman Street Interchange Improvement Project
Pedestrian/Bicycle Overcrossing

Visual simulation from Bay Trail southwest of Gilman Street

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New Paving, Enhanced Streetscape and Signage

Interstate 80/Gilman Street Interchange Improvement Project

From I-80/ Gilman St to Northbound Eastshore Highway

From Southbound Eastshore Highway to Gilman St/ I-80 ramps
New Paving, Enhanced Streetscape and Signage

Visual simulation of Second Street looking north from Gilman

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Interstate 80/Gilman Street Interchange Improvement Project
Change in Vehicular Access
Southbound

From I-80/Gilman St to
Southbound Eastshore Highway

Northbound Eastshore Highway
to Gilman St/ I-80 ramps

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Travel Paths Through Roundabouts

From Gilman St to I-80 West

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From Gilman St To Golden Gate Fields and Eastshore State Park

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From Eastshore State Park to I-80 East

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From West Frontage Road south Gilman Street to I-80 East

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Travel Paths Through Roundabouts

From I-80 East to Gilman Street

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Travel Paths Through Roundabouts

From I-80 West to Gilman Street

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Results of Environmental Analysis

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) and National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Joint Document: Initial Study (IS) with Proposed Negative Declaration / Environmental Assessment (EA)

» No Impacts Related To:
  » Aesthetics
  » Farmland/Timberlands
  » Biological Resources
  » Land Use And Planning
  » Mineral Resources
  » Population And Housing
  » Public Services
  » Recreation
  » Transportation/Traffic
  » Tribal Cultural Resources
  » Growth
  » Wild and Scenic Rivers
  » Cumulative

» Less Than Significant Impacts Related To:
  » Air Quality
  » Cultural Resources
  » Geology And Soils
  » Hazards And Hazardous Materials
  » Hydrology And Water Quality
  » Noise
  » Utilities/Service Systems

» No Significant Impacts For Any Resources
Forum Structure and Features

Main Community Room: 9 Project Stations

- Why, What, When And How Of Project
- Discuss Station Topics with Project Team Members
- Video Simulations Of Project Elements
- Submission of Written Comments

Forum Annex

- Video Simulations Of Project Elements
- Submission of Written Comments
- Court-recorded Verbal Comments
- Off-line Discussion

Interstate 80/Gilman Street Interchange Improvement Project
Station Topics

1. Welcome & Sign-In
2. Project Funding, Purpose & Need
3. Introduction to and Benefits of Roundabouts
4. Project Design
   » Roundabouts
   » Pedestrian/Bicycle Overcrossing
   » Bicycle Facilities
5. Environmental Review Process
6. Technical Studies and Findings
7. Right of Way Process
8. Project Timeline and Milestones
9. How can I get Involved?
Comments and Next Steps

Environmental Review Process
» Comments taken until February 5th
» Comments should focus on adequacy of environmental analysis
» Responses to comments will appear in Final NEPA Document
» Environmental certification expected Summer 2019

Project Next Steps
» Final Project Designs in Spring 2020
» Construction to Begin late 2020/Early 2021
» Estimated Project Completion in Summer 2023