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City of Goleta Moves Ahead on New Highway 101 Overcrossing Project in Western Goleta *Feb. 10 Open House Set to Review Project*

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Goleta, CA – The City of Goleta is hosting a community open house on Wednesday, Feb. 10 to discuss potential alignments for a new Highway 101 Overcrossing Project.

This project includes the construction of a new overcrossing to cross Highway 101 and the railroad tracks between Storke Road and Winchester Canyon Road in order to improve circulation and provide a safer and more convenient route for bicyclists and pedestrians. The project is partially funded by voter-approved Measure A sales tax funds.

The City has completed a preliminary feasibility study to determine possible locations/alignments for a Highway 101 overcrossing in the area. The Feb. 10 open house will give the public an overview of the proposed project and the results of the feasibility study.

Thirteen different possible alignments were analyzed and ranked according to several factors, including but not limited to traffic impacts and benefits, roadway geometry, property impacts, right-of-way required, environmental impacts, accessibility (ADA), constructability and construction cost. Three alignments are recommended for further study:

1. Alternative A4 – Connects Hollister Ave./Entrance Rd. Intersection south of the freeway to Calle Real/Brandon Dr. Intersection north of the freeway
2. Alternative A6 – Connects Hollister Ave./Entrance Rd. Intersection south of the freeway to Calle Real/San Rossano Dr. Intersection north of the freeway

3. Alternative C5 – Connects Hollister Ave/Entrance Rd. Intersection south of the freeway to Calle Real about 200' west of Baker Lane north of the freeway

The open house will include visual displays of the study area and alignment alternatives. Members of the Project Development Team will be present to explain the work to date, answer questions and discuss ideas in an informal format. This meeting is the first of many opportunities for public review and input.

The open house will be held from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Brandon Elementary School, located at 195 Brandon Drive in Goleta. Attendees are invited to drop in at any point during the scheduled hours. A Spanish language translator will be available.

Additional information is available through the Project message line, (805) 562-0362 or via e-mail to rgaglione@cityofgoleta.com.

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Pictured: Alternatives under review for new Goleta Highway 101 Overcrossing.