# **EXCELSIOR EXPRESSWAY** FACT SHEET

**PPNO 6705** 

EA 06-0S370

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#### The Project

This project would upgrade approximately six miles of two-lane conventional highway to a divided four-lane expressway from the Kings County line to Elkhorn Avenue. The project is located in Fresno County between the metropolitan area of Fresno and Lemoore.

#### The Need

Route 41 is an Interregional High Emphasis Focus Route corridor and is on the Caltrans Interregional Transportation Strategic Plan, part of the National Network of truck routes, and included in the Caltrans Highway Freight Network. The highway is vital to the economy of the San Joaquin Valley and increased traffic volumes are expected. This two-lane segment of Route 41 facilitates interregional travel between the Fresno metropolitan area and the Central California Coast. During summer months, traffic volumes increase along with the percentage of recreational vehicles. This reduces passing opportunities and lowers the level of service of the route.

#### **Benefits**

The project will improve the regional movement of freight and goods, and local farm to market travel. The project would relieve congestion and breakup traffic queues by providing passing opportunities. Oncoming traffic would be separated with a divided median which would improve safety. The project is consistent with the Transportation Concept Report and the Fresno County Regional Transportation Plan. This project will provide for continuity of the Route 41 corridor, meet present and future vehicular and goods movement traffic demands, and bring the highway up to current design standards. It will include Complete Streets elements, such as, new shoulders and intersection improvements that could benefit pedestrian and bicycle mobility.

### **Funding and Partnership**

The project's preconstruction components are jointly funded by the regional and interregional programs within the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP). This project is awaiting construction funding.

	STIP		SHOPP		Un	funded	To	tal
PA&ED	\$	1,900	\$	500			\$	2,400
PS&E	\$	3,000	\$	1,800			\$	4,800
R/W	\$	1,500	\$	250			\$	1,750
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R/W	\$	3,500	\$	50			\$	3,550
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Con Sup			\$	2,200	\$	5,700	\$	7,900
Con Cap			\$ :	12,300	\$	40,800	\$	53,100
Total	\$	9,900	\$	17,100	\$	46,500	\$	73,500

## **Project Schedule**

Environmental Clearance	June 2005		
Environmental Recertification	Fall 2021		
Begin Design	July 2018		
End Design	Fall 2023		
End Right of Way	Winter 2023		
Begin Construction (contingent on funding)	Fall 2024		
End Construction	Fall 2027		

#### What is significant about the project?

Once completed, this project will close a gap in the existing 4-lane expressway SR 41 facility between the City of Fresno and SR 198 in the City of Lemoore, the site of a US Naval Base.



# **Elected Officials (Districts)**

Assembly: 31,32 State Senate: 12,14 U.S. Congressional: 21

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