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Groundbreaking in Pacifica for Hwy 1 Paving and Pedestrian Overcrossing Projects

City of Pacific and Caltrans Celebrate Two Infrastructure Projects

PACIFICA - Caltrans and the City of Pacifica will hold a groundbreaking ceremony to celebrate two new projects: the repaving of a 10-mile section of Highway 1 (most of which runs through Pacifica), and the replacement of the San Jose Avenue pedestrian overcrossing which spans Highway 1 and connects an eastside shopping center to the westside civic center in mid-Pacifica.

“These projects will be a valuable investment in the City of Pacifica,” said Acting Caltrans District 4 Director Jim Davis. “Smoother pavement creates less wear on vehicles and delivers a better driving experience, while the new overcrossing will replace a gray, weatherworn structure with a clean, modern overcrossing that is structurally stronger and compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).”

Work on the paving project began in mid-April and construction began on the pedestrian overcrossing last week, but both projects are occurring close enough in time and place to be celebrated together.

“Like many residents of Pacifica, I’m thrilled with this addition to our infrastructure,” said, Mayor John Keener. “Several lanes have already been paved and I can tell you it’s a joy to ride on the new pavement. The old overcrossing served us for years, but is now rusted and blighted. The new overcrossing is by comparison beautiful, strong, and will serve the needs of our citizens for years, including those with disabilities, as an important pedestrian connection between East and West Sharp Park.”



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The contractor on the paving project, Granite Rock of Redwood City, was awarded a \$12.5 million contract to grind and pave a ten-mile section of Highway 1 extending from Gray Whale Cove near the southern portal of the Devils Slide Tunnel to I-280 in Daly City. Work began in mid-April and the project is scheduled for completion in November 2018.

Bridgeway Civil Constructors, Inc. was awarded a \$3.5 million contract to replace the old San Jose Avenue pedestrian overcrossing. The current San Jose Avenue overcrossing was built 1968 and was retrofitted in 1994 to increase its lifespan. But the ocean air has taken its toll on the aging structure and the Caltrans made the decision to replace it. Like the paving project, the overcrossing project will be completed in November 2018.

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