



Mary Avenue Overcrossing
Environmental Impact Report
Community Meeting and CEQA Scoping Meeting
March 21, 2017



Introductions

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Presentation Outline

- California Environmental Quality Act
- Purpose of Scoping Meeting
- Project Description
- Environmental Issues To Be Analyzed
- CEQA Process and Preliminary Schedule
- Opportunities to Comment
- Contact Information



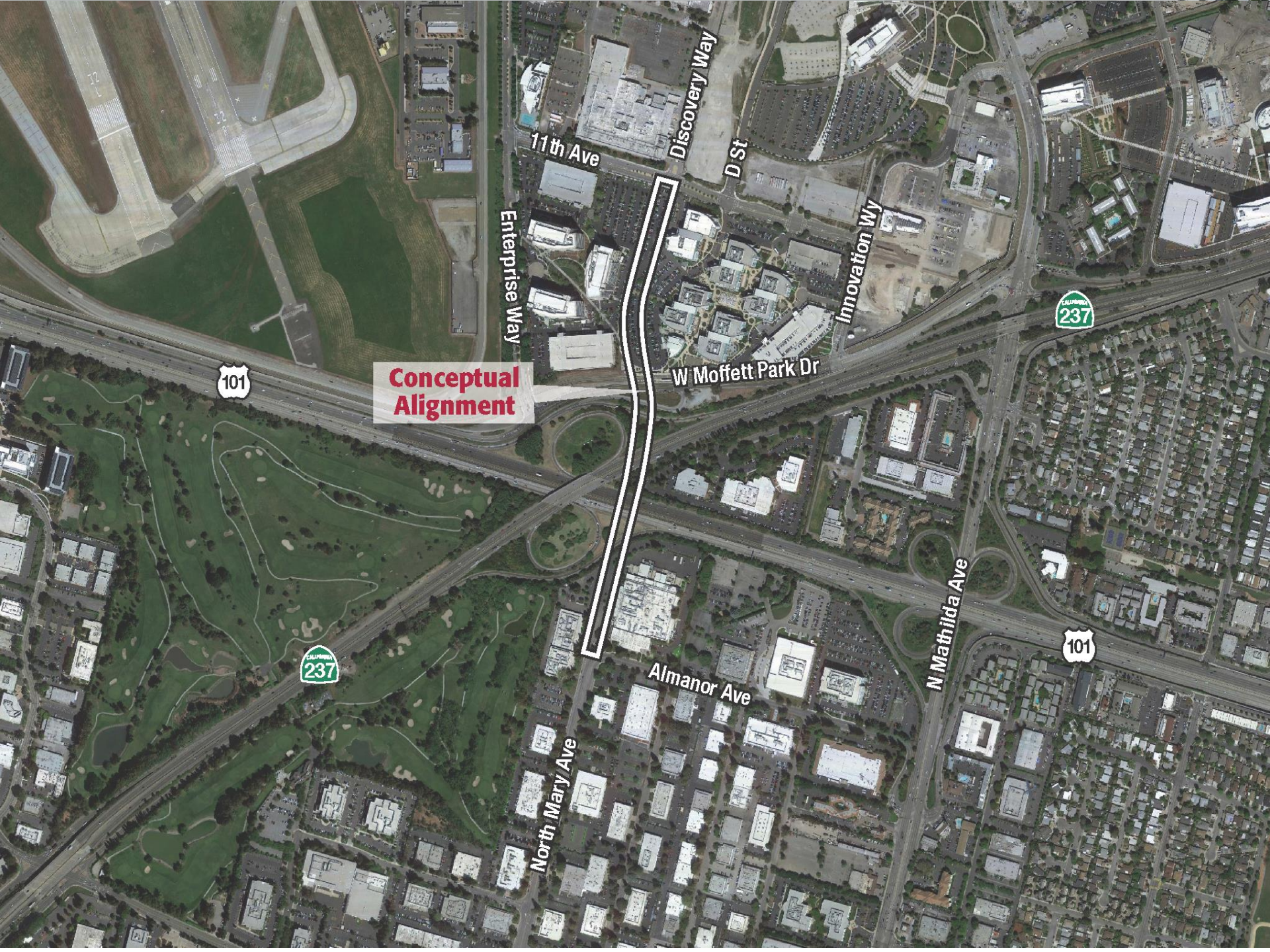
California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)

- **Purpose of CEQA:**
 - Inform governmental decision makers and the public
 - Identify ways environmental impacts can be reduced or avoided
 - Prevent significant environmental impacts by requiring changes, alternatives, or mitigation measures
 - Disclose to the public why a project was approved if the project involves significant impacts



Purpose of Scoping Meeting

- Inform the public of the proposed project.
- Disclose the preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and the potential impacts being reviewed
- Solicit guidance from the public and agencies on environmental issues via comments on the Notice of Preparation
- **Public Comment Period – 30 Days**
- *March 7 to April 10, 2017*



**Conceptual
Alignment**

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11th Ave

Discovery Way

D St

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W Moffett Park Dr

Almanor Ave

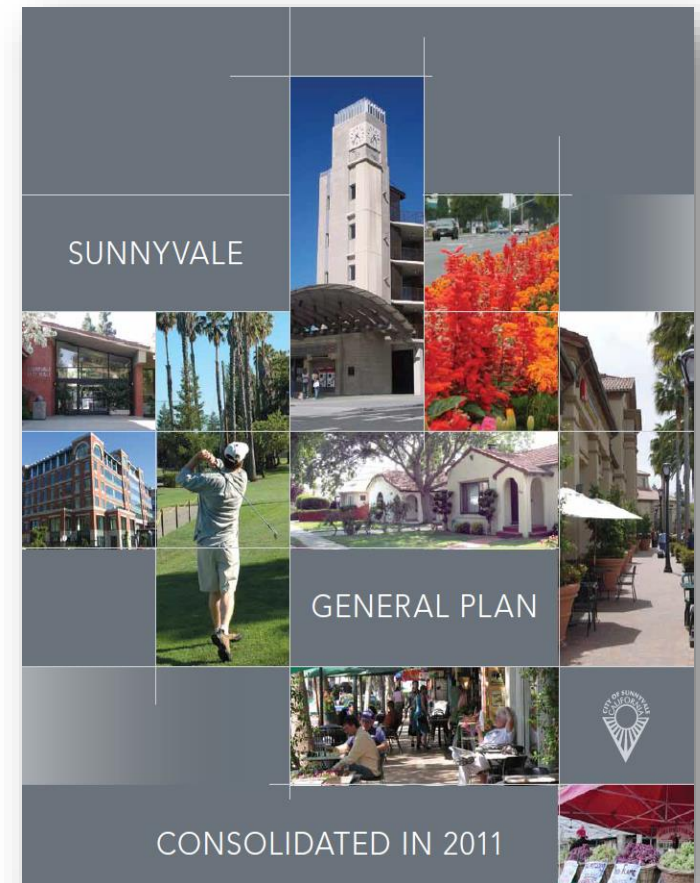
North Mary Ave

N Mathilda Ave



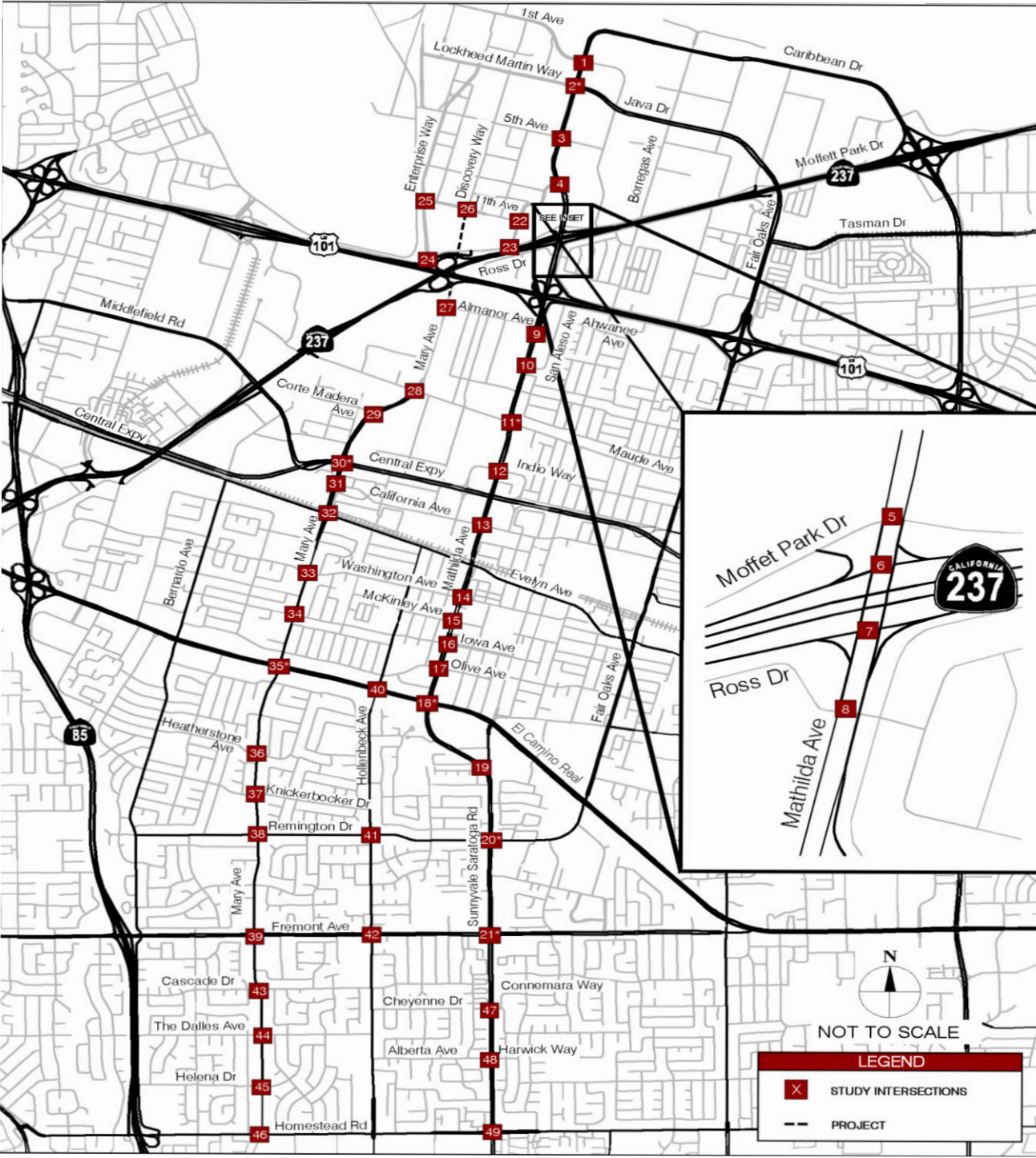
Sunnyvale Plans Referring to the Project

- General Plan 1972, 2011
- Land Use and Transportation Element 1981, 1997, 2017
- Specific Plans 2004, 2013, 2016
- Transportation Impact Fee 2005





Study Intersections





Project Description

Five Proposed Options

1. Four auto travel lanes plus protected bike facilities and sidewalks
2. Two auto travel lanes plus protected bike facilities and sidewalks
3. Pedestrian / bicycle crossing with facilities for shuttles/buses
4. Pedestrian / bicycle crossing (no automobiles)
5. Removal from the General Plan (no project)

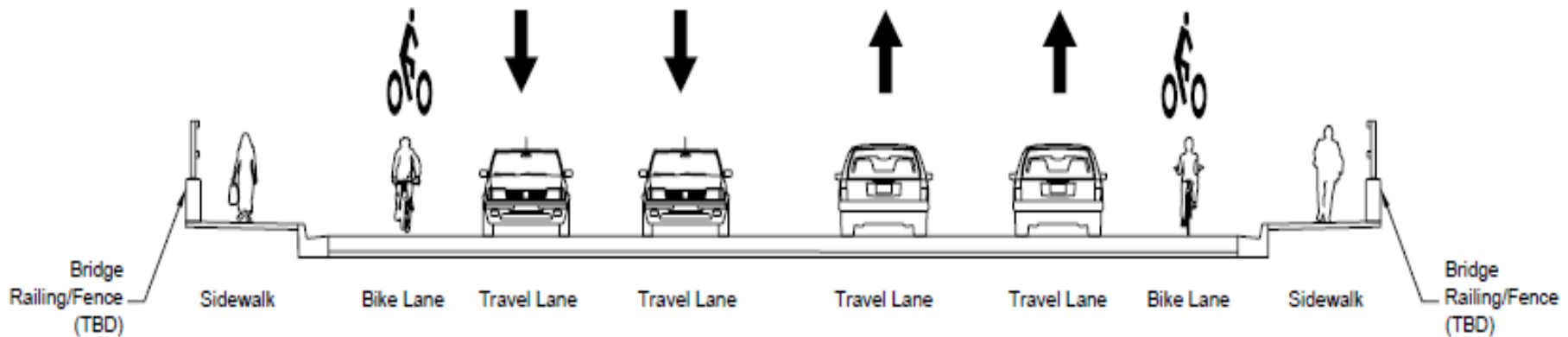


Project Overview

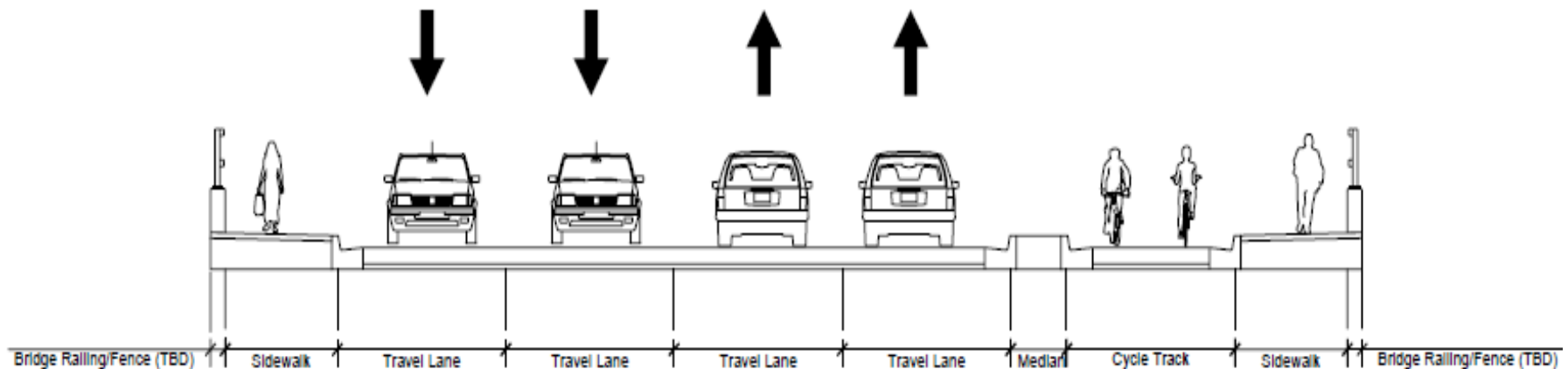
- At this stage, there is no preferred project option
- This project will fully environmentally review five options
- City Council will then select the preferred option
- Detailed design would occur as a separate, later project
(if Council does not select “Remove Project from General Plan”)



1. Four Lane Mary Avenue Option

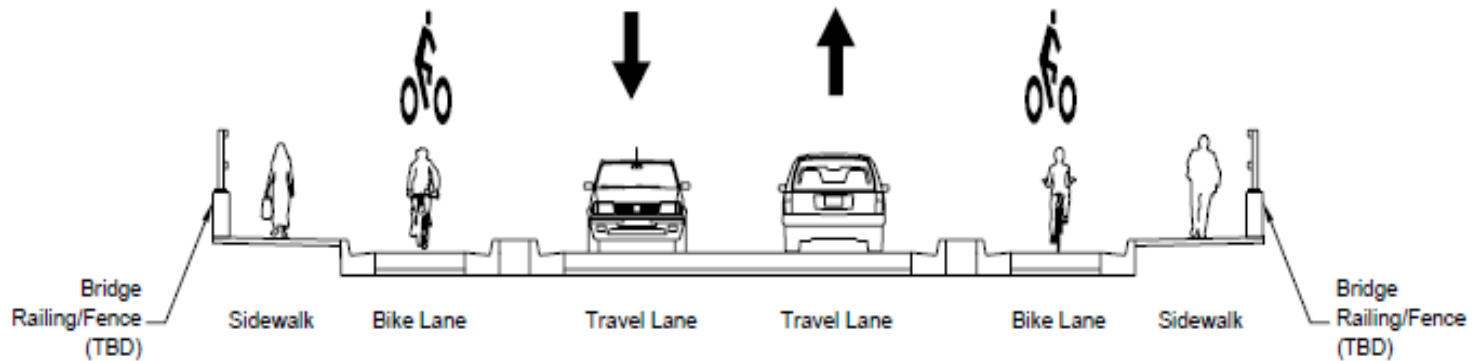


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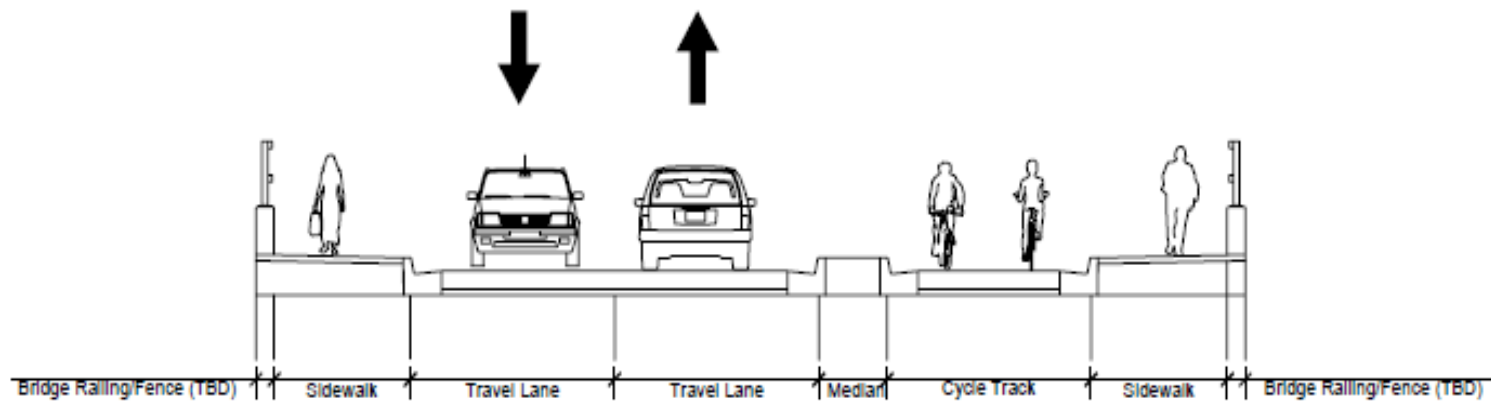




2. Two Lane Mary Avenue

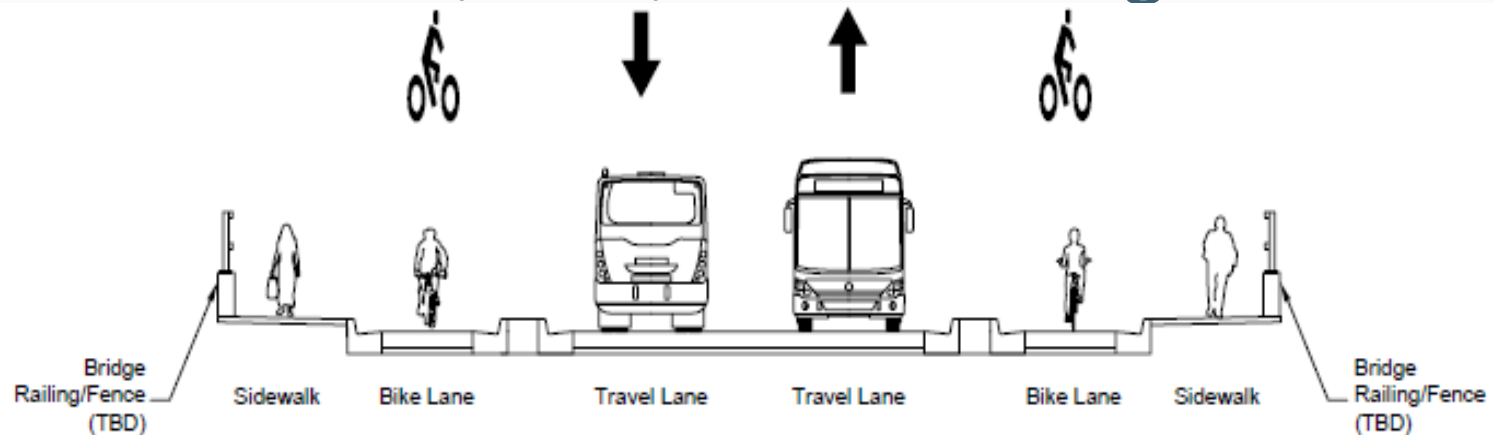


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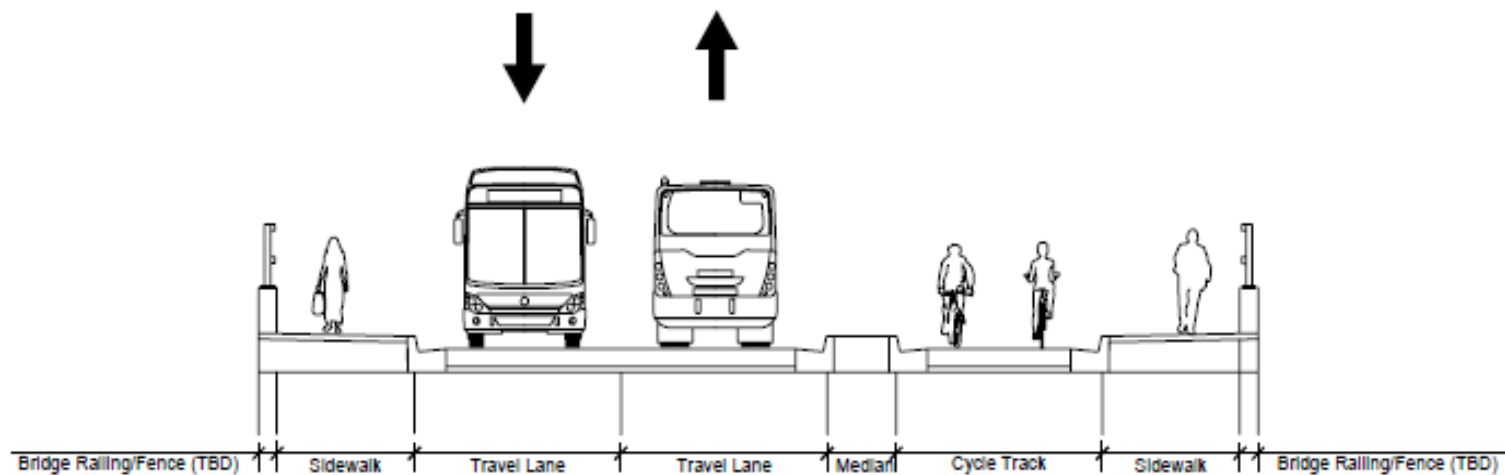




3. Pedestrian/Bike/Transit Bridge

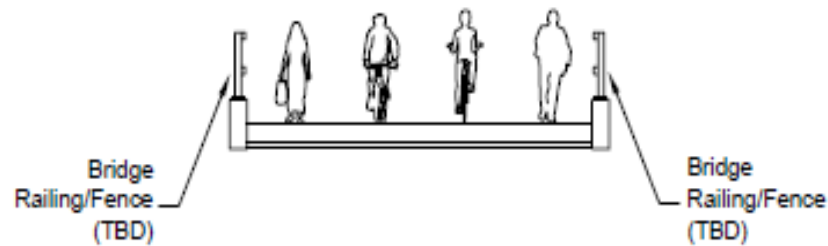


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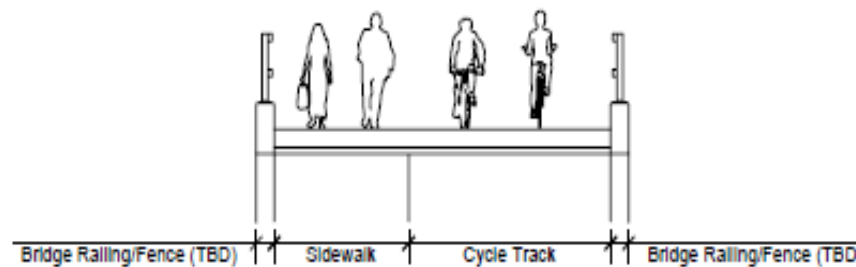




4. Pedestrian/Bike Bridge



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5. Remove From General Plan

- No project would occur
- Existing conditions would remain



Environmental Issues To Be Analyzed

- Aesthetics and visual character
- Air quality
- Biological resources
- Cultural resources: historical and archaeological
- Geology and soils
- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Hazardous materials
- Hydrology and water quality
- Land use and planning
- Noise
- Public services: fire, police, schools, and parks
- Recreation
- Traffic and transportation
- Utilities and service systems



Technical Studies

Studies Currently in Process:

- Traffic impact analysis
- Air quality
- Greenhouse gas emissions
- Noise
- Biological resources
- Cultural resources

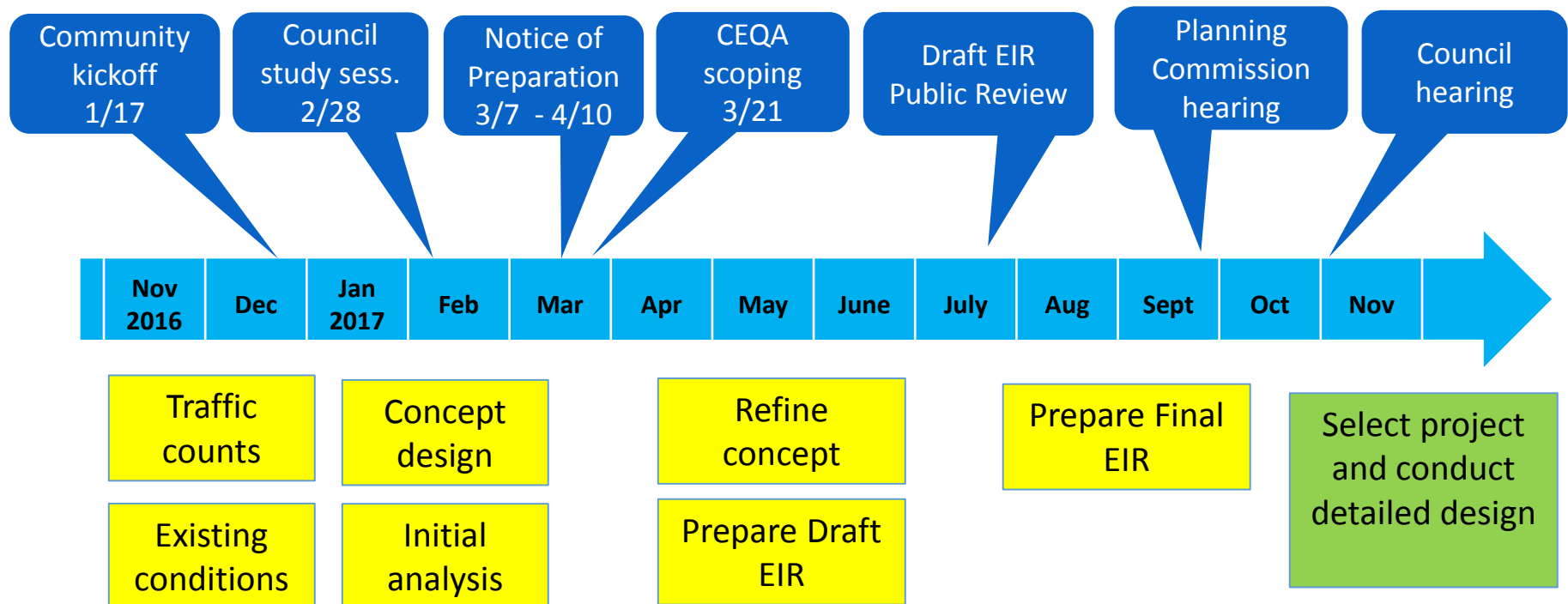


Sunnyvale Travel Demand Model

- Regional 9-county model calibrated to Sunnyvale
- LUTE includes roadway changes from Valley Transportation Plan and Sunnyvale Transportation Impact Fee
- Overcrossing EIR will also include new bike lanes along Mary Avenue (south)



Opportunities for Public Input





Guide to Making Helpful NOP Comments

Comments are most helpful when they identify:

- Significant environmental issues
- Reasonable alternatives
- Mitigation measures to reduce or avoid impacts



Providing Input on the NOP

Please submit comments to Open City Hall:

https://www.peakdemocracy.com/portals/209/forum_home

Project contact:

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Email: rlo@sunnyvale.ca.gov



Project Communications

- Open City Hall:
https://www.peakdemocracy.com/portals/209/forum_home
- Project website:
<http://sunnyvale.ca.gov/Departments/PublicWorks/PublicWorksHotTopics/MaryAvenueOvercrossing.aspx>
- City website: Upcoming Events
- Postcards to residents
- Neighborhood Yahoo! Group
- Nextdoor
- Email blasts
 - Council, Planning Commission, Bike/Ped Advisory Commission
 - Project mailing list



Discussion Questions

1. What environmental issues would you like to see addressed in the EIR?
2. Do you have any environmental concerns with a specific option?
 - Which option?
 - What are the significant environmental issues?
 - Can you suggest reasonable project alternatives to avoid impacts?
 - What mitigation measures would minimize these impacts?
3. Are there any groups or agencies you suggest we consult/contact in conjunction with preparation of the EIR?

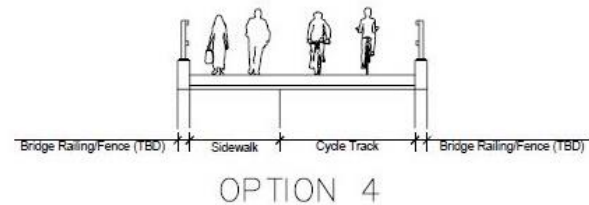
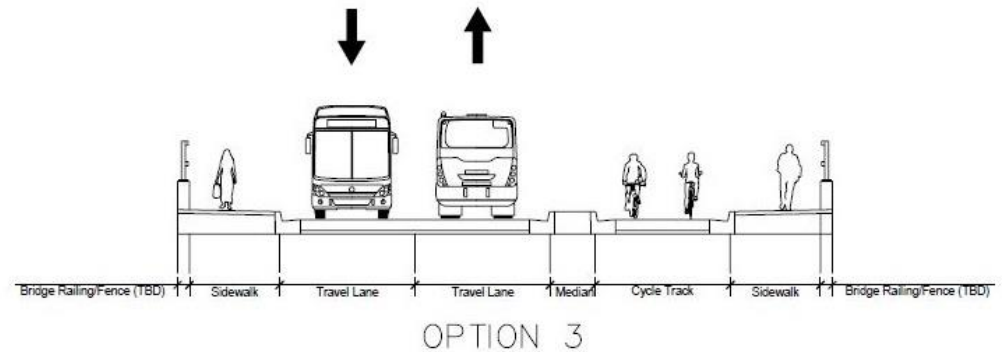
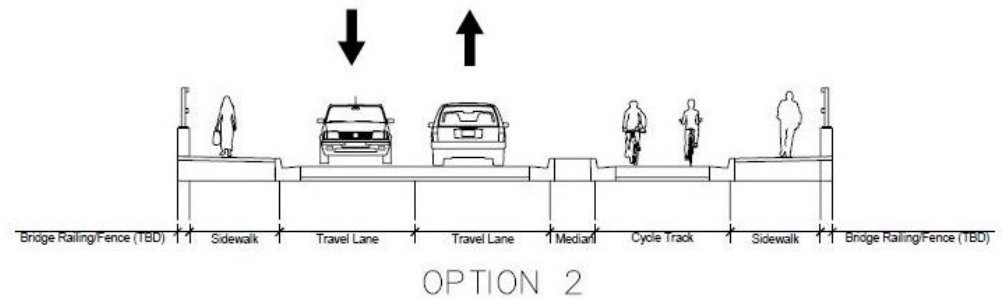
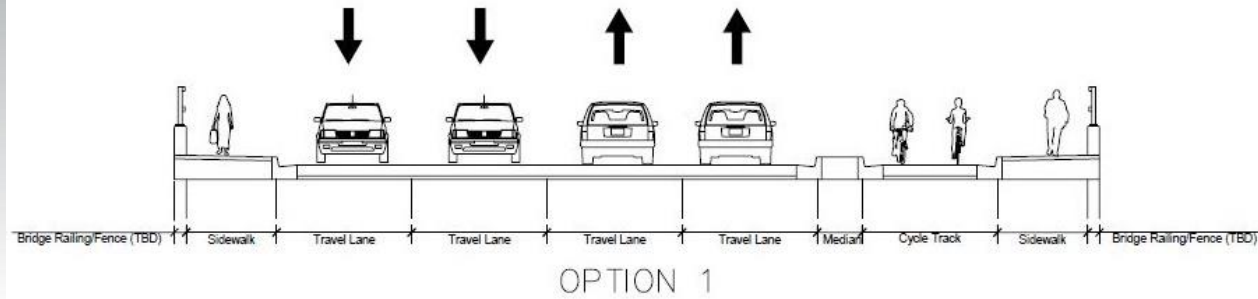


Environmental Concerns

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Project Options



Thank you!

