



FACT SHEET

STATE ROUTE 51 CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS: J STREET TO ARDEN WAY

PURPOSE AND NEED

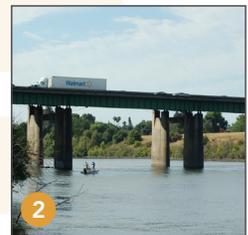
State Route 51 (SR 51) is operating beyond its designed capacity and is the most congested corridor in District 3. The corridor operates at Level of Service (LOS) F. In 2011, SR 51 experienced over 950,000 annual hours of delay at a \$16.7 million cost to users. In 2011, SR 51 had five of District 3's top 10 bottlenecks with backups often exceeding two miles in length. Conditions along SR 51 are expected to further degrade by the year 2035 with traffic volumes forecasted to increase over 25% and congestion periods to increase by 50%.

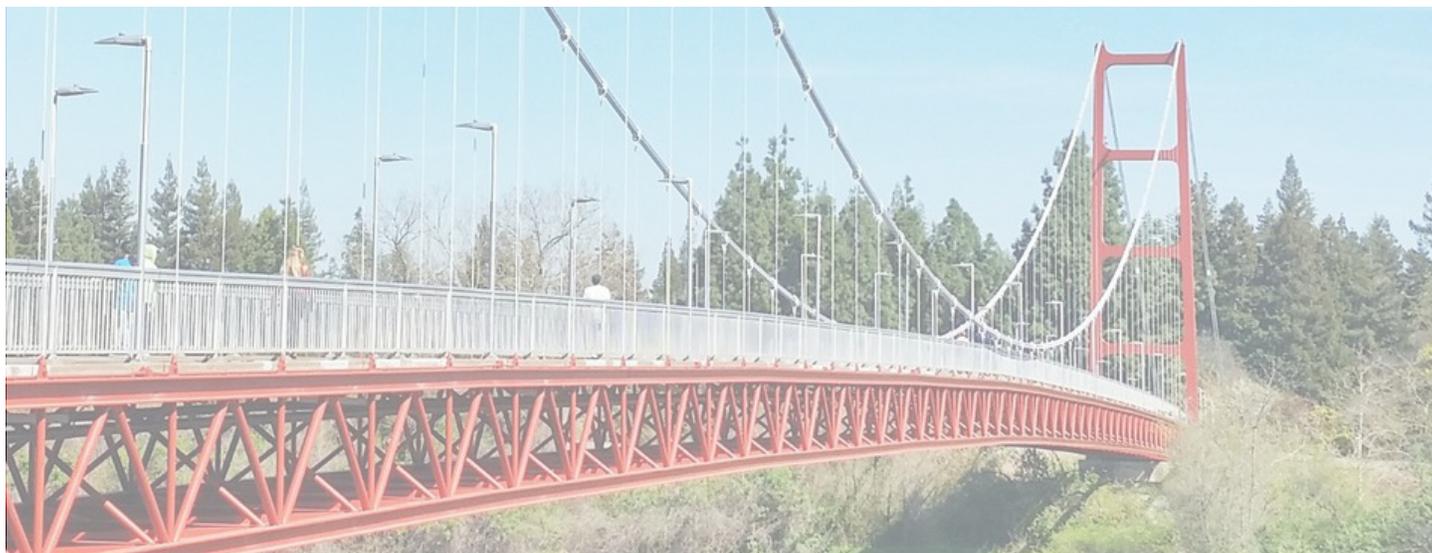
Caltrans studies show that delay could be significantly reduced with the completion of a number of multimodal projects in the SR 51 Corridor, including a 25% delay reduction with the completion of the auxiliary/transition lane network, and a 16% delay reduction with the completion of the bus/carpool network. Furthermore, SACOG MTP/SCS modeling shows that the CapCity Corridor improvements would contribute to regional GHG emission reductions.

PLANNED PROJECTS

Caltrans is facilitating a collaborative effort to address congestion and improve conditions for all modes in the corridor. Caltrans District 3 has proposed the following multimodal improvements on State Route 51 (SR 51) Corridor J Street to I-80. The City of Sacramento, Walk Sacramento, and Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates support the proposed improvements, including:

1. Bus/carpool lanes along the extent of the corridor.
2. American River Bridge widening, including a Class I bike path adjacent to the north bound lanes and bus/carpool lanes.
3. Auxiliary and transition lanes at various locations in the corridor.
4. Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) upgrades such as ramp meters.





COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

The State Route 51 (SR 51) Corridor Improvements will be advanced as part of the **Capital City (CapCity) Corridor Project**, a planning process that coordinates and prioritizes potential multimodal projects in the corridor. The CapCity Corridor Project is an unprecedented integrated, multimodal, and multi-jurisdictional effort to improve mobility within the SR 51 Corridor. This collaborative approach will help to leverage a variety of funding sources for project investments.

The CapCity Corridor Project is guided by a Project Development Team (PDT) and input will be solicited from advocacy groups, neighborhood organizations, and the public.

As the SR 51 Corridor Improvements move forward, the PDT will identify projects that support bicyclists, pedestrians, and improve access and connectivity to transit. The additional

improvements identified by the PDT will be included in the scope of Caltrans' Corridor Improvements. The active involvement of the PDT will help to coordinate and build support to secure project funding from various sources.

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT TEAM MEMBERS

- Caltrans District 3
- City of Sacramento
- Sacramento County
- Sacramento Area Council of Government (SACOG)
- Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates (SABA)
- Walk Sacramento
- Sacramento Regional Transit (SacRT)