

### I-15 NORTHBOUND ALTERNATIVES PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

The following information is a summary of the I-15 Northbound; Bangerter Highway to I-215 Environmental Assessment (EA) Alternatives Public Open House:

#### Overview

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is conducting an Environmental Assessment (EA) to develop transportation solutions that address travel demand for northbound I-15 between Bangerter Highway and I-215. Additionally, the EA will evaluate Alternatives that best meet the project goals and determine their associated impacts to social, economic and environmental resources.

UDOT held a public meeting (open house format) to present the Alternatives selected for further study.

#### When/Where

The Alternatives Public Open House was held on Wednesday, May 2, 2018, from 4-7 p.m. at the Midvale Senior Center in Midvale, Utah.

### Advertisement

### Special invitations:

Email invitations were sent to the following cities' public information officers and elected officials:

- City of Midvale
- City of Sandy
- City of Draper
- City of Murray

### Mailer:

Approximately 4000 postcards containing public open house details were mailed to businesses and residences in the project area 10 days in advance of the open house (see Appendix A).

### Canvassing:

On April 26, 2018, approximately 600 door hangers were hand delivered to businesses and residents directly adjacent to I-15 on the east side from Bangerter Highway to I-215 (see Appendix B).

### **Project Website:**

The project website was updated prior to and following the open house. Details about the open house and commenting period deadline were included with the updates.

Social Media and Websites:

Information was provided to the following agencies to post on social media outlets and websites prior to the open house:

- UDOT Region Two
- Utah DOT
- City of Midvale
- City of Sandy
- City of Draper
- City of Murray

Additional outreach activities:

• Email blasts were sent to stakeholders on April 3, April 24, and May 1 announcing open house details.

### **Attendance**

107 attendees signed in. Comment forms, a flyer and business cards with contact information were handed out at the sign-in table (see Appendixes C and D).

### Information Presented

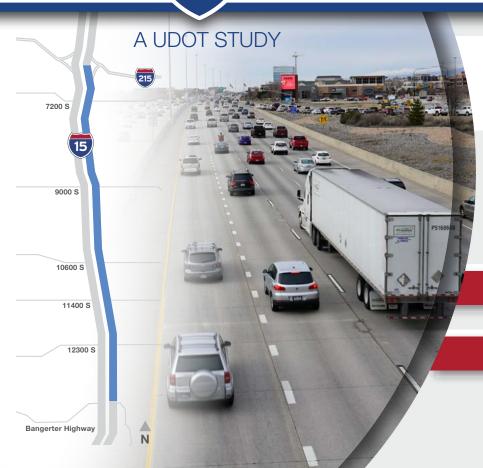
The public open house boards were set up around the room and included information about the Alternatives screening process, Alternatives that were evaluated and selected for further study, EA process, and right of way process (see Appendix E). Team members were present to explain the Alternatives screening process and answer questions. Two large maps showing I-15 from Bangerter to I-215 were available to facilitate discussion.

### Comments

Members of the public were able to comment in the following ways:

- Completing comment forms provided at the open house.
- Mailing comment forms provided at the open house.
- Submitting comments online through the website.
- Calling the project hotline at 801-747-9950.
- Emailing comments to <a href="mailto:i15northbound@utah.gov">i15northbound@utah.gov</a>.

The public comment period for this phase ran from April 16 to May 16, 2018. A total of 107 people commented during this time. Opposition to the project was referenced in 23 comments, followed by relocation and general construction concerns, which were both referenced 21 times. Concerns about impacts to quality of life on a community and individual basis were referenced 13 times. Other topics included right of way, property values, noise, impacts to the community center and cemetery, public transportation, city code compliance and general information concerns.



## YOU'RE INVITED

TO A PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE

Come learn about and provide feedback on potential solutions to address transportation needs on northbound I-15 from Bangerter Highway to I-215.

Information on UDOT's right-of-way process and property owner rights will be available to property owners, residents and businesses.

**WHEN** 

Wednesday, May 2, 2018 4 - 7 p.m.

WHERE

Midvale Senior Center 7550 S. Main St., Midvale



5th Ave

5th Ave

180 N

140 N

### **Environmental Assessment Overview**

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is conducting an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate transportation-related improvements on northbound I-15 from Bangerter Highway to I-215 in Salt Lake County. The EA is being prepared as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this study are being or have been carried-out by UDOT pursuant to 23 USC 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated January 17, 2017, and executed by FHWA and UDOT.

### **Contact Us**

If you are unable to attend the open house, you may view the meeting materials online at udot.utah.gov/i15northbound.

If you need special accommodations during the meeting, please contact a member of our team five days in advance at 801-747-9950.

PHONE

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**EMAIL** 

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WEBSITE

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Contáctenos si necesita esta información en Español.

Appendix A



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### YOU'RE INVITED

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NORTH 15 BOUND

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

Learn about and provide feedback on potential solutions to address transportation needs on northbound I-15 from Bangerter Highway to I-215.

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### NORTH 15 BOUND

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

Name:		Organization:			
Address:					
City:		State:	Zip:		
Phone Number:					
Email:					
COMMENTS	Submit all	comments by	May 16, 201	8.	
Please list any comments, con	cerns, and/or sugg	estions related to the a	lternatives developi	nent and screening	process.
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Other Comments:					

#### **BANGERTER HIGHWAY TO I-215**

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) is conducting an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate transportation-related improvements on northbound Interstate 15 (I-15) from Bangerter Highway to I-215 in Salt Lake County. The EA is being prepared as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA).

### The study team has selected two alternatives for further study:

### **NO-ACTION ALTERNATIVE 3 ALTERNATIVE** Maintain the current Construct two separate Collector-Distributor Systems: roadway configuration of ♦ Northbound Collector-Distributor System A on I-15 from 9000 South to the northbound I-15 between I-215 east/westbound entrance ramps. ♦ Northbound **Collector-Distributor System B** on I-15 from Bangerter Highway Bangerter Highway and I-215. to 9000 South. WHAT IS A COLLECTOR-DISTRIBUTOR SYSTEM? A collector-distributor system parallels the mainline freeway and connects to more than one entrance/ exit to the freeway. This system improves traffic flow by allowing mainline through traffic to bypass exit and entrance ramps. Exit from collector-distributor system Entry and exit to freeway only possible 11400 S through collector-distributor system 12300 S Entrance to collector-distributor system N Visit udot.utah.gov/i15northbound to review Alternative 3 in detail and learn more about the EA. **LEGEND**

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||||| Remove Ramp

Freeway (I-15) Existing interchange

New/Reconstructed Ramp

Collector-Distributor System A

# WELCOME Public Open House

### The purpose of the meeting is to:

- Present potential transportation alternatives for northbound I-15 from Bangerter Highway to I-215.
- ♦ Gather public input related to potential transportation alternatives.

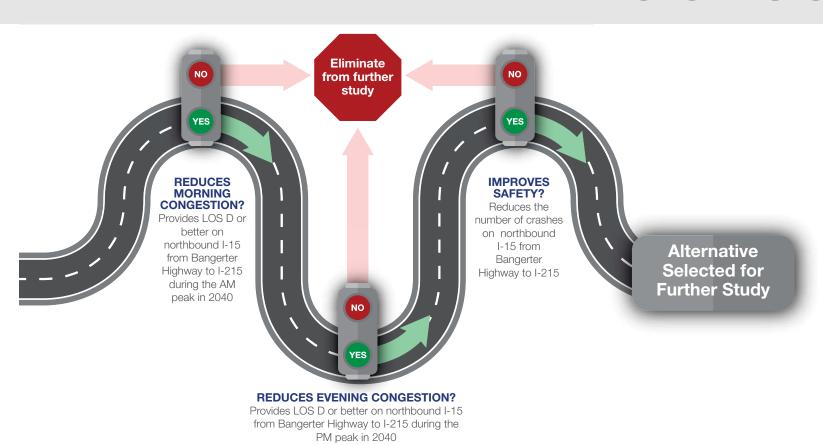
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# **PURPOSE & NEED**

- Address the current and future travel demand on northbound I-15 from Bangerter Highway to I-215.
- ♦ Improve safety on northbound I-15 from Bangerter Highway to I-215.

# ALTERNATIVES SCREENING PROCESS



# WHAT IS LEVEL OF SERVICE?

Level of Service (LOS) measures the quality of the traffic flow rate in terms of:

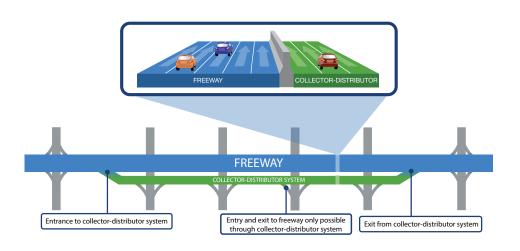
- ♦ Speed
- ♦ Average travel delay
- ♦ Travel times
- ♦ Freedom to maneuver

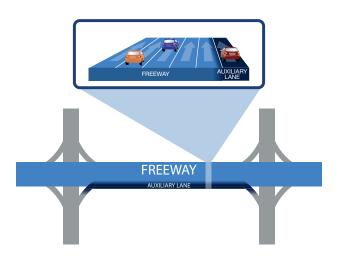
LOS ranges from A to F, with LOS A representing the best operating conditions (little or no congestion or delay) and LOS F representing the worst operating conditions (extreme congestion and delay with long traffic queues and stop-and-go traffic).



# WHAT IS A COLLECTOR-DISTRIBUTOR SYSTEM?

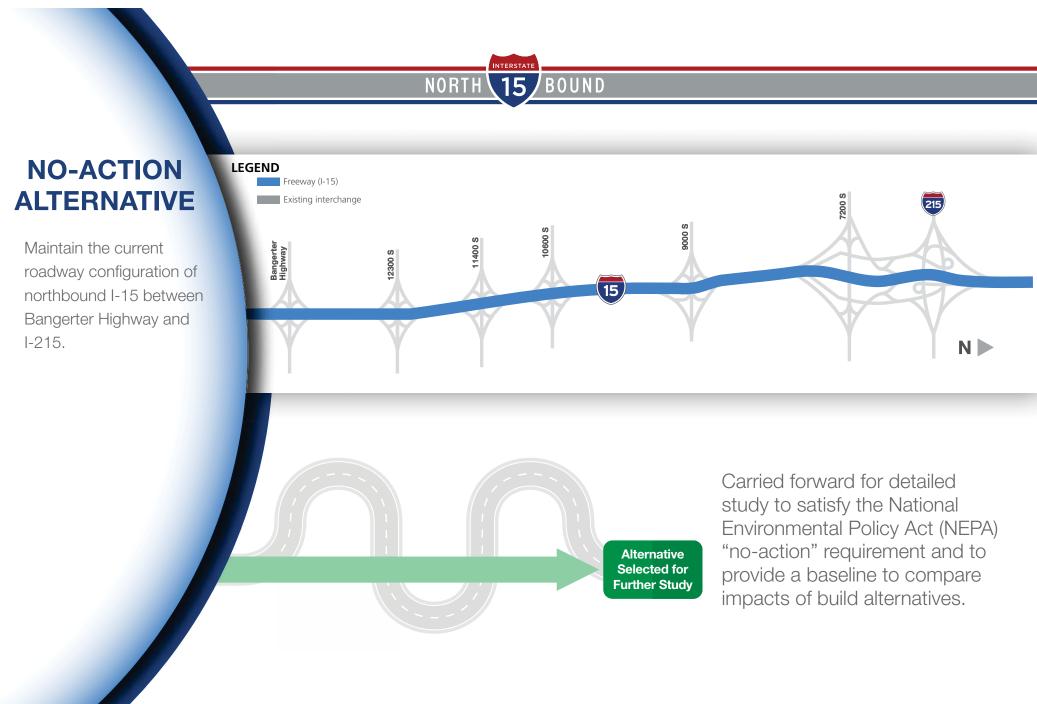
### WHAT IS AN AUXILIARY LANE?

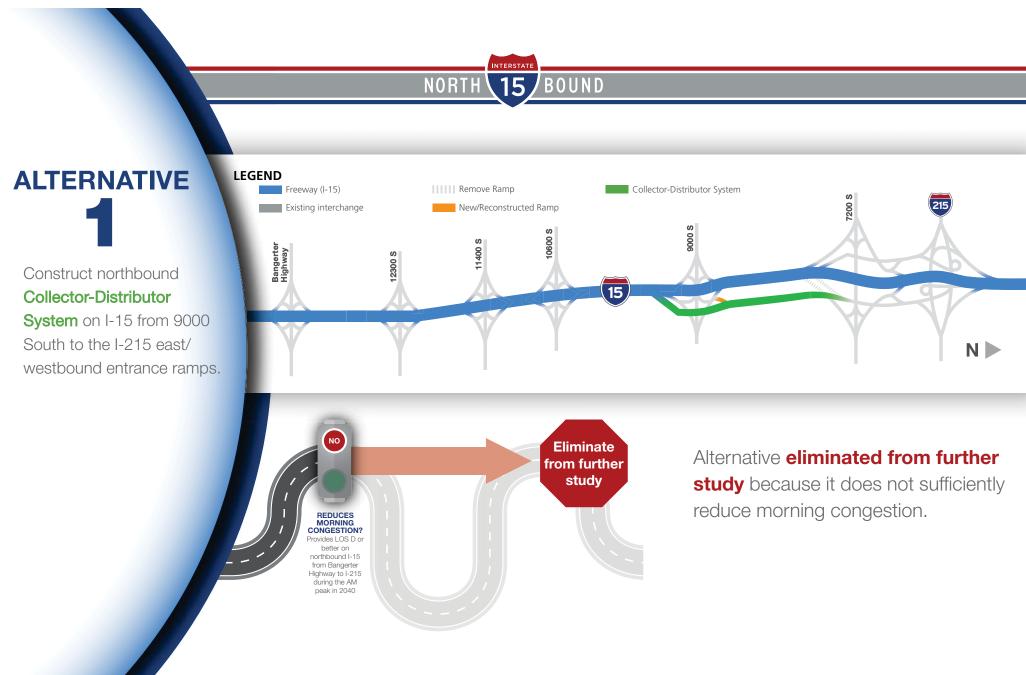


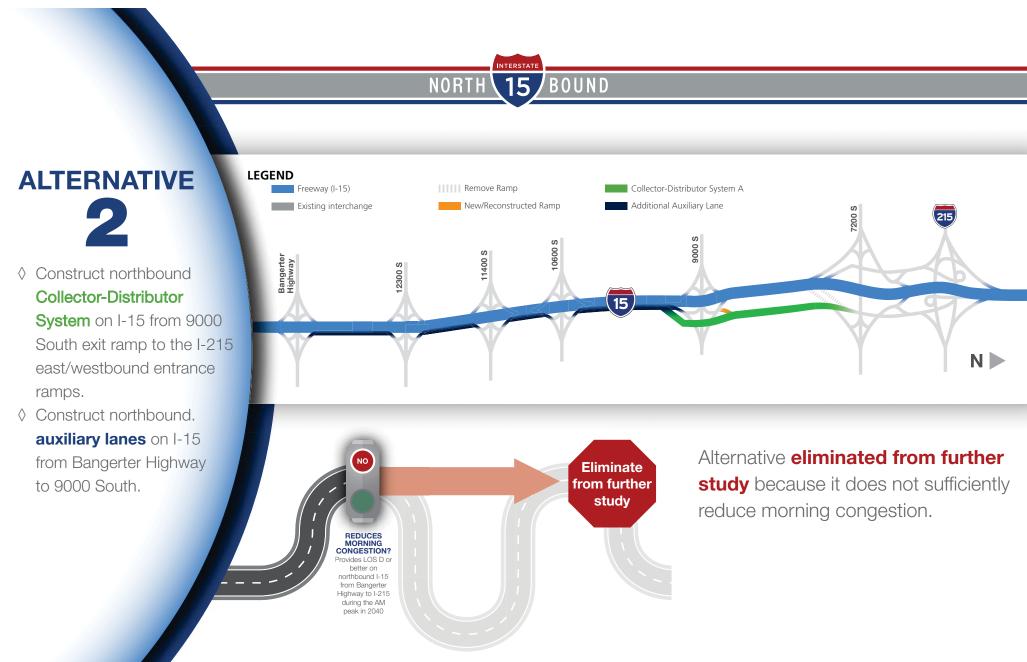


A collector-distributor system parallels the mainline freeway and connects to more than one entrance/exit to the freeway. This system improves traffic flow by allowing mainline through traffic to bypass exit and entrance ramps.

A short-term lane that accommodates traffic speed changes, turning, weaving, truck climbing, exiting and entering traffic, and other purposes supplementary to through-traffic movement.





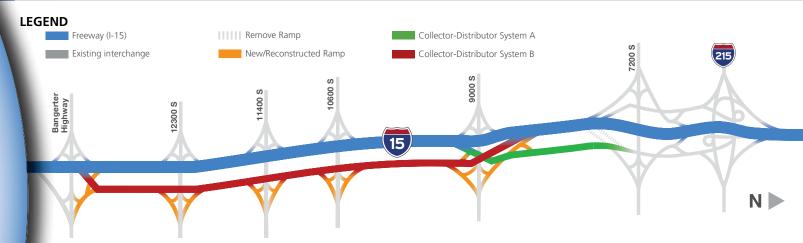


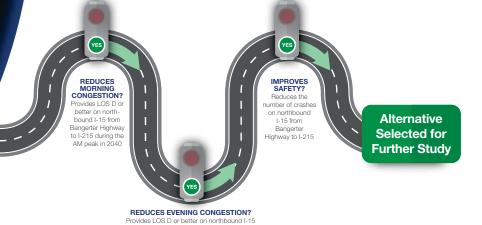
### **ALTERNATIVE**

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Construct two separate Collector-Distributor Systems:

- ♦ Northbound Collector-Distributor System A on I-15 from 9000 South to the I-215 east/westbound entrance ramps.
- ♦ Northbound Collector-Distributor System B on I-15 from Bangerter Highway to 9000 South.





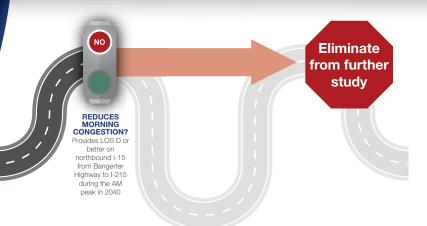
from Bangerter Highway to I-215 during the PM peak in 2040 Alternative carried forward for further study because it reduces morning and evening congestion and improves safety.

### **ALTERNATIVE**

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Construct **new connector**ramp for the northbound
I-15 to I-215 east/
westbound entrance ramp.
The proposed ramp would
begin near its existing
entrance, but would require
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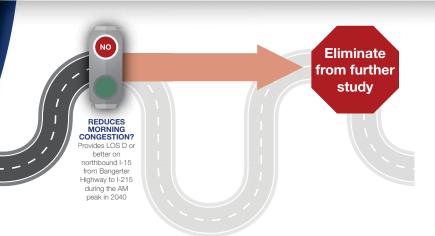
Alternative **eliminated from further study** because it does not sufficiently reduce morning congestion.

### **ALTERNATIVE**

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- ♦ Construct new connector ramp for the northbound I-15 to I-215 east/ westbound entrance ramp. The proposed ramp would begin near its existing entrance, but would require traffic to enter from the far left lanes versus the far right lanes.
- ♦ Construct northbound auxiliary lanes on I-15 from Bangerter Highway to 9000 South.





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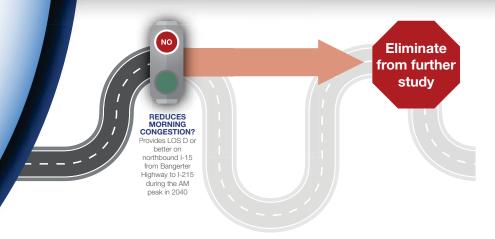
### 15 BOUND NORTH' **ALTERNATIVE LEGEND** Freeway (I-15) Additional Auxiliary Lane Existing interchange 12300 S Construct northbound auxiliary lane on I-15 from 15 the 9000 South to the I-215 east/westbound entrance ramps. Alternative eliminated from further NO **Eliminate study** because it does not sufficiently from further study reduce morning congestion. REDUCES MORNING CONGESTION? rovides LOS D or better on northbound I-15 from Bangerter Highway to I-215 during the AM peak in 2040

### **ALTERNATIVE**

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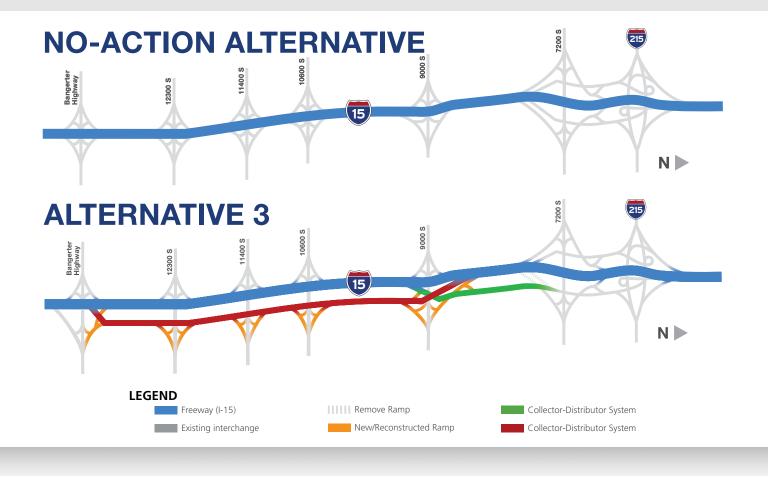
Construct **auxiliary lanes** for northbound I-15 from the Bangerter Highway entrance ramp to the I-215 east/ westbound entrance ramps.





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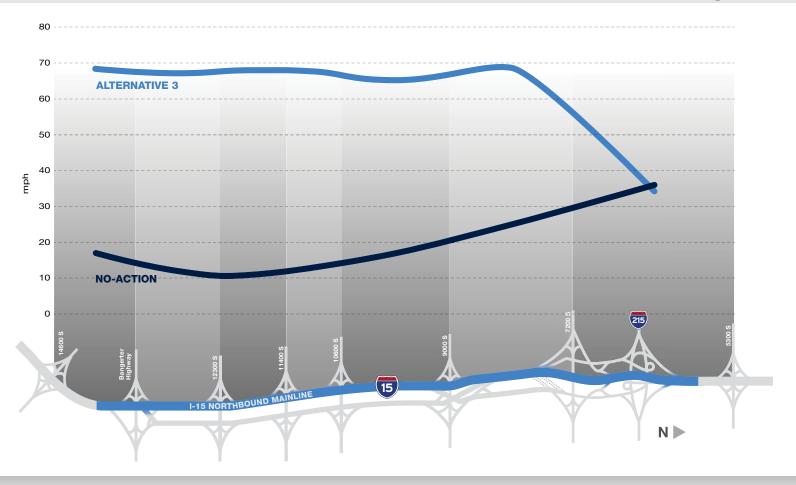
# ALTERNATIVES SELECTED FOR FURTHER STUDY





# I-15 NORTHBOUND MAINLINE

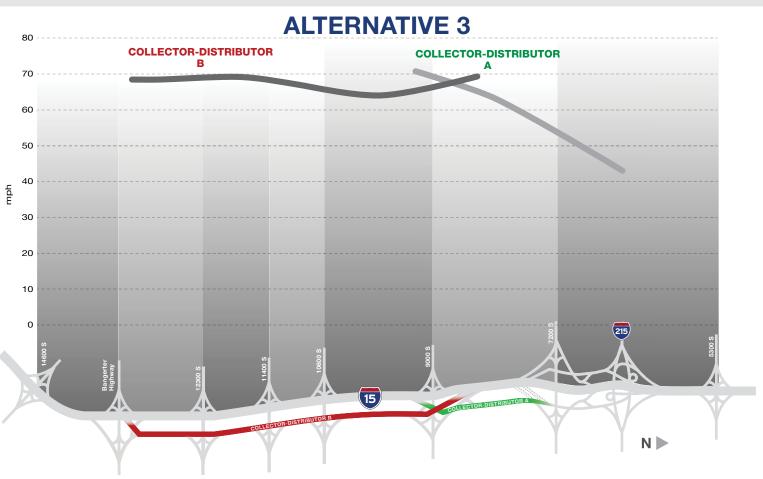
2040 AM Peak Hour Average Speed





### I-15 NORTHBOUND COLLECTOR-DISTRIBUTORS

2040 AM Peak Hour Average Speed





### **ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS**

**WINTER** 2018

SCOPING

**PURPOSE & NEED** 

SPRING 2018

ALTERNATIVES
DEVELOPMENT &
SCREENING

ENVIRONMENTAL PREPARE DRAFT

PREPARE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PUBLIC HEARING & 30-DAY COMMENT PERIOD

FINALIZE Environmental Assessment

DECISION

FALL



Gather initial data and input from agencies and the public regarding issues that should be addressed during the study. A Public Open House was held in January 2018 where comments were received.

Help define transportation needs in the study area by using public input together with current and projected traffic data, population projections, land use and planned economic development. Consider a range of alternatives (including the No-action Alternative) that meet the transportation needs. Members of the public will have an opportunity to review and provide feedback at a Public Open House. Screen alternatives based on their ability to meet the Purpose and Need and potential impacts to

the natural and built environment

Examine the potential social, economic and environmental impacts for each alternative selected for detailed study (including the Noaction Alternative).

RESOURCE

**ANALYSES** 

The document will summarize the purpose and need, present the alternatives development and screening process, describe the potential impacts for each alternative selected for detailed study, and identify the Preferred Alternative. Members of the public have the opportunity to learn, review and provide formal comments on the environmental study, alternatives and anticipated environmental impacts at a Public Hearing or any time during the comment period.

Respond to all comments received during the comment period and finalize the study. Issue Decision Document

### STAY INVOLVED THROUGHOUT THE STUDY PROCESS

\* Public meetings and opportunity to comment at key milestones \*

# **SOCIAL SURVEY**

### **Local Community Social Survey**

- ♦ Survey will be distributed to residential neighborhoods located within 2-3 blocks adjacent to northbound I-15 within the study area.
- ♦ Random samples of households will be selected for survey participation.
- Questions will focus on neighborhood social conditions and residents' views about potential project effects for their families and neighborhoods.
- ♦ Door-to-door survey delivery and retrieval will take place in May.

# RIGHT-OF-WAY PROCESS

(PROPERTY ACQUISITION)

# The right-of-way acquisition process consists of the following steps:

- **1. Identification** The study team will identify what property will be needed to construct the selected alternative.
- 2. Contact Property owners will be contacted directly if their property is identified as a full or partial acquisition.
- **3. Valuation** Right-of-way professionals will estimate the value of property.
- **4. Acquisition** Right-of-way professionals will work closely with the property owner to acquire needed property at fair market value.

# **RELOCATION BENEFITS**

### Owner occupants

- Replacement housing payment
- ♦ Incidental expenses
- Mortgage interest differential payment

### **Tenants**

Rental assistance payment (can be used as down payment on a home)

Owner occupants and tenants may qualify for financial assistance associated with moving costs. Meet with a project representative for more information about the benefits.

# **WE WANT YOUR INPUT**

Comments should be clear, concise and relevant to the transportation issues and needs in the study area. Comments can be submitted at this open house, or via phone, email, website or mail through **May 16**.

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