

# Interstate 80/Ashby Avenue (SR-13) Interchange Improvements

DECEMBER 2021

## **PROJECT OVERVIEW**

The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC), in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the cities of Berkeley and Emeryville, proposes to reconstruct the I-80/ Ashby Avenue interchange to improve accessibility, safety, traffic flow, and bicycle and pedestrian facilities. These improvements are intended to provide traffic congestion relief and enhanced mobility at this critical access point and important intersection of regional transportation routes. The project will also provide multimodal transport options, while improving community connectedness, including connectivity to the existing Bay Trail. This project was approved by Alameda County voters in 2014 under Measure BB and represents a direct investment in regional infrastructure and economic development. It will provide a direct connection between westbound Interstate 80 (I-80) and Emeryville by way of Shellmound Street. Improvements will include:

- A new bridge to replace existing bridges
- A new interchange form with connections to Shellmound Street and Frontage Road
- Provision of bicycle and pedestrian access over the I-80 freeway at the Ashby Avenue interchange

## **PROJECT NEED**

- The existing I-80/Ashby interchange provides no access to Shellmound Street to/from westbound I-80 nor from Shellmound Street to Frontage Road.
- All westbound traffic to access Emeryville must use the Powell Street interchange.
- There is no direct pedestrian and bicyclist access to the Bay Trail from Shellmound Street.



## PROJECT BENEFITS

- Improves mobility and reduces congestion on Ashby Avenue at the I-80/Powell Street interchange and at the intersection of Ashby Avenue and 7th Street
- Provides safe access for pedestrians and bicyclists to connect across I-80, linking the San Francisco Bay Trail to the City of Emeryville and Berkeley's Aquatic Park

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Aerial view of I-80/Ashby Avenue (SR-13) interchange.

## COST ESTIMATE BY PHASE (\$ x 1,000) PE/Environmental Final Design (PS&E)

Right-of-Way/Utility \$4,400

\$4,500

\$10,550

Construction \$137,600

Total Expenditures \$157,050



I-80 freeway looking south approaching the Ashby Avenue exit.



I-80 eastbound Eastshore Freeway approach at the Ashby Avenue exit.

## **FUNDING SOURCES** (\$ X 1,000)

## **STATUS**

Implementing Agency: Alameda CTC

**Current Phase:** Project Approval/Environmental Document (PA&ED) – Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA)

- A public scoping meeting was held on May 22, 2019.
- Draft Environmental Document (DED) is circulated for 45-day public review beginning December 15, 2021 through January 31, 2022. Download the DED at www.l80Ashby.com.
- A virtual Public Open House will be held on January 11, 2022, 5:30-7:00 p.m. Visit www.180ashby.com or dial in at 888-344-3561 (English), 888-348-0479 (Spanish) or 888-386-0764 (Cantonese).
- Project Approval and Final Environmental Document (PA&ED) is anticipated in spring 2022.

### **PARTNERS AND STAKEHOLDERS**

Caltrans, Alameda CTC and the cities of Berkeley and Emeryville

SCHEDULE BY PHASE		
	Begin	End
Preliminary Engineering/ Environmental	Fall 2017	Early 2022
Final Design	Early 2022	Fall 2023
Right-of-Way	Early 2022	Fall 2023
Construction	Spring 2024	Fall 2026
Note: Schedule subject to funding availability.		

Note: Information on this fact sheet is subject to periodic updates.