



FULTON ROAD WIDENING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT FAQ SHEET

What is this project?

The City of Santa Rosa, with the use of MEASURE M FUNDING, is developing preliminary roadway designs to widen Fulton Road to four lanes, improving circulation, safety, and operation along Fulton Road, from Guerneville Road to Piner Road.

What's the purpose?

The Fulton Road Widening Improvement Project was identified in the "Santa Rosa 2020: General Plan" back in 2002 and represents the second

of three projects along the Fulton Road corridor. Through this project, the City proposes improving traffic operations and safety along this corridor as a priority project. Fulton Road is a crucial corridor, providing access to residences, Piner High School, the Youth Community Park, a shopping center, a church, and public amenities. Improvements to this roadway are expected to improve circulation throughout the corridor for all users.

This project improvements look to:

- Improve the operation and safety of the corridor for all users, including pedestrians, cyclists, and motorists
- Reduce impacts to through traffic
- Enhance signal operations
- Improve sidewalks, ADA access, bicycle lanes, and access to facilities
- Underground existing overhead utilities
- Improve drainage facilities and stormwater quality features
- Enhance corridor aesthetics with drought-tolerant median and roadside plantings.

At what stage is the Project?

The Project is in the Environmental Document and Preliminary Engineering phase, meaning that conceptual design and preliminary engineering is being completed to allow for: evaluation of the project as it applies to the California Environmental Quality Act, preparation of cost estimating, identification of right of way and easement needs, coordination with the Rule 20 undergrounding, and beginning the path to construction document development.

What is the California Environmental Quality Act?

The California Environmental Quality Act, commonly referred to as CEQA, was adopted in 1970. CEQA applies to most public agency decisions to carry out, authorize, or approve projects that could have adverse effects on the environment. CEQA requires that agencies inform themselves about the environmental effects of their proposed actions, carefully consider all relevant information before they act, give the public an opportunity to comment on the environmental issues, and avoid or reduce significant environmental impacts when it is feasible to do so.

What key elements will be included in the Project?

The Project design will be performed in compliance with City Standards. Typical features will include new asphalt paving, ADA-compliant sidewalk (including gap closures), Low Impact Development (LID) storm water quality features, street lighting, traffic signals, active pedestrian crossing, additional transit facilities, landscaping, storm drain improvements, targeted sewer and water utility improvements, and signing and striping.

Will the existing overhead utilities (electric, telephone, communication, etc.) remain after the project is complete?

The existing overhead utilities will be undergrounded by PG&E as part of the Rule 20 undergrounding project. A Public Hearing and Resolution approving the Underground Utility District was held at City Council in February 2017. The undergrounding project will be performed in advance of the Fulton Road Widening Improvement Project and will be coordinated with the City of Santa Rosa and the Fulton Road Widening Improvement Project design.

What will the standard roadway configuration look like?

The roadway will include the following facilities to accommodate all modes of travel:

- 2 northbound travel lanes
- 2 southbound travel lanes
- Center median (planted), left turn, or two-way turn lane
- 1 northbound bike lane
- 1 southbound bike lane
- Minimum 6-foot wide sidewalk on each side
- Planter strip / bioretention (as applicable) on each side



What is the Project schedule?

The following are the projected major milestones and anticipated schedule for construction:

- Complete Environmental Phase: September 2017
- Complete Design: November 2018
- Start Construction: May 2020
- End Construction: November 2021

How can I stay informed about construction activity and project status?

Staying informed about the progress of this project is easy. Simply go to the City's website <http://cippublic.srcity.org/CIPList.html> and select Project ID #01178.