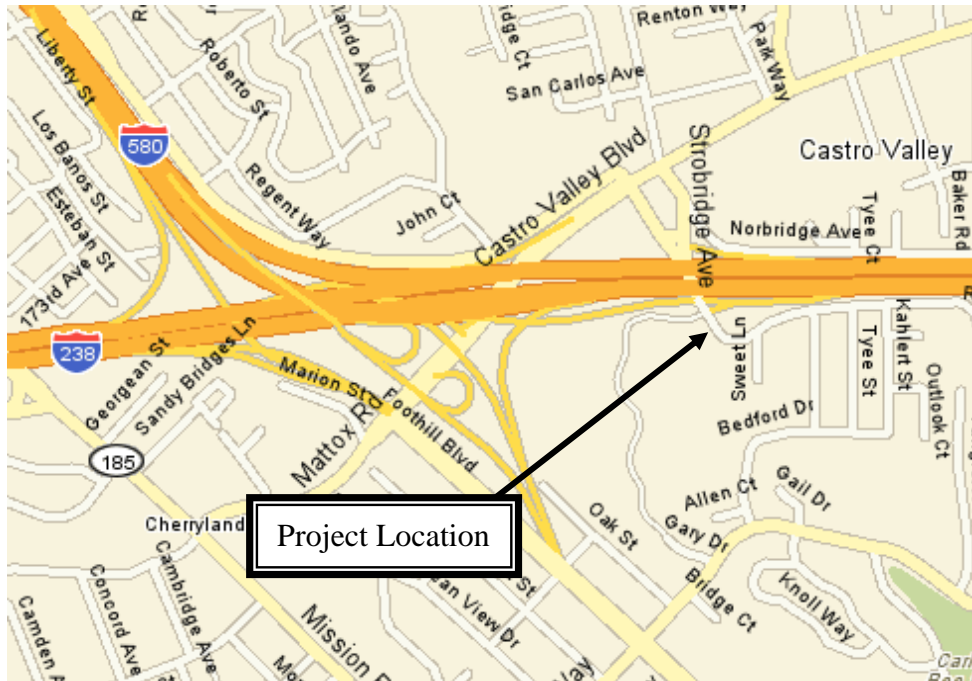


NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION ALAMEDA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS AGENCY

Temporary Closure of Strobridge Avenue at Gary Drive to Exclude Southbound Through-Traffic, in Unincorporated Castro Valley, Alameda County

The proposed project would consist of constructing a raised bulb-out and installing “Do Not Enter” and “Wrong Way” signs on Strobridge Avenue near the southwesterly corner of Gary Drive within the roadway to block southbound traffic from entering the section of Strobridge Avenue to the south of Gary Drive. Northbound through-traffic on Strobridge Avenue at the same location would remain open, and southbound traffic on Strobridge Avenue just south of Gary Drive would remain open to local traffic only. Mitigation measures proposed include: (1) addition of a U-turn lane for southbound vehicles on Strobridge Avenue at the corner of Gary Drive, (2) coordination of signalization timing along Castro Valley Boulevard between Market Place and Center Street and intersections east of Redwood Road, (3) re-stripe “left turn lane only” lane on westbound I-580 off ramp to accommodate both left and right turns, and (4) addition of a left-turn lane at the westbound approach of Castro Valley Boulevard to Mattox Road and Foothill Boulevard (RTE 238). The purpose of the project is to provide an interim measure to prevent bypass traffic from entering into the Baywood Area via Strobridge Avenue that is expected to result from the planned freeway construction on I-238 and the Redwood Road interchange. This interim measure would be in place for the duration of the construction that is expected to last until 2010.



The Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) and the initial study upon which it is based are available for review at the Alameda County Public Works Agency offices 399 Elmhurst Street Hayward, CA 94544 and at the PWA Website: <http://www.co.alameda.ca.us/pwa>. Copies of the draft Initial Study are also available at San Lorenzo Public Library, 395 Paseo Grande San Lorenzo, CA 94612. The document concluded that with proposed mitigation, the project would not result in any significant adverse impacts. If you disagree, please include your reasons with your written comments. The Alameda County Board of Supervisors will consider the MND and all comments received prior to its adoption or approval of the project. Written comments will be accepted during the public review period from August 30, 2005 to September 30, 2005. Comments should be addressed to the address below:

Send Comments to:

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