



Newsletter #1



Project Kick-Off

The City of Menlo Park is pleased to announce the start of the El Camino Real Corridor Study! The City is inviting the community, through a series of workshops, to provide ideas and feedback on how the El Camino Real, being a key roadway connecting cities throughout the Peninsula, can become a more safe and accommodating transportation resource for all users, including pedestrians and bicyclists. El Camino Real provides an important transportation route through downtown Menlo Park, serving many local businesses located on the street and nearby. El Camino Real is one of few north-south thoroughfares in the City, providing connections for residents to jobs and services in Palo Alto, Mountain View, Los Altos, Atherton, Redwood City, and beyond.

However, El Camino Real as it currently exists does not adequately serve the Menlo Park community's need for safe and efficient multi-modal transportation and access to local destinations:

- Menlo Park adopted a “Complete Streets” Policy in January 2013 to improve its commitment to a comprehensive, integrated transportation network that allows safe and convenient travel along and across streets for all users – including pedestrians, bicyclists, persons with disabilities, motorists, movers of commercial goods, users and operators of public transportation, seniors, children, youth, and families, emergency vehicles, and freight
- Congested conditions cause delay for motorists, buses, and emergency vehicles during commute hours
- Opportunities to safely cross the roadway, as a pedestrian, cyclist, or motor vehicle, are too few
- Conditions for cyclists traveling along El Camino next to moving traffic are in need of improvement

As development occurs along El Camino Real in Menlo Park and adjacent cities, these issues may become more problematic.

This study will assess safety, efficiency and convenience trade-offs between motorists and bicyclists on El Camino Real within the limited right of way. It may consider possible widening alternatives to allow for the addition of a bicycle lane or an additional through lane, for a total of three lanes in each direction. Impacts to traffic, active transportation (pedestrian and bicycle), safety, parking and aesthetics will be addressed as part of the evaluation.





El Camino Real Corridor Study



Come to the First Workshop!

We want to hear your ideas on how best to improve this important roadway through our city. Throughout the process, there will be many opportunities to learn about the proposed improvements and give us your feedback. Help kick it off by attending our first community workshop on April 30, where we will be discussing the key issues, challenges, and priorities for El Camino Real. Come join your neighbors and other members of the community to share your vision for the El Camino Real Corridor!

Learn more at our website!

www.MenloPark-ElCamino.com

Visit the project website to learn more about the project, leave feedback, and receive updates on upcoming events and ways to stay involved.



EVENT DETAILS

Wednesday, April 30, 2014

Menlo Park Presbyterian Church Social Hall
700 Santa Cruz Ave, Menlo Park

6:30-7:00 Open House

Drop in to ask questions and provide feedback, even if you can't stay for the evening!

7:00-9:00 Presentation & Workshop

- Project team to provide an overview of study objectives
- Attendees provide input on goals of the study, identify concerns, & suggest ideas for the corridor

Light refreshments will be provided.

See you there!