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Community Workshop #1 – Visioning and Performance Metrics
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- 6:30-7:00 Open House
- 7:00-7:20 Presentation by Project Team
- 7:20-8:00 Visioning Exercise
- 8:00-8:45 Small Group Exercise
- 8:45-9:00 Summary and Wrap-up

PROJECT TEAM

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Study Objectives

- Review potential transportation and safety **improvements**.
- Consider possible **widening** alternatives to allow for the addition of a bicycle lane or an additional through lane.
- Identify potential **reconfiguration** alternatives.
- Evaluate the **feasibility** and potential impacts of up to three (3) alternatives to improve **multi-modal** transportation.
- **Impacts** to traffic, active transportation, safety, parking and aesthetics will be addressed.
- Within the limited right-of-way available, assess safety, efficiency and convenience **trade-offs** between motorists and bicyclists.

Guidelines

- El Camino Real between Encinal Avenue and Sand Hill Road will be evaluated.
- Modifications to side-streets will be considered between the western side of the Caltrain tracks and the eastern side of Curtis Street-Hoover Street-Alto Lane.
- All proposed modifications should be consistent with the El Camino Real/Downtown Specific Plan.
- Only surface improvements will be considered (i.e., no grade separation or tunneling).
- Impacts (both beneficial and adverse) to all modes of travel will be considered in this study.
- Ultimate design and implementation of modifications to El Camino Real will need to meet Caltrans requirements and standards.

Study Elements

- Identify performance metrics
- Document existing conditions
- Develop travel demand forecasts
- Develop and analyze alternatives
- Prepare conceptual design plans and estimated costs for alternatives
- Based on feedback, a preferred plan will be identified
- Full design plans will be prepared for ECR/Ravenswood intersection
- Environmental analysis will be completed for the preferred plan

Community Participation Opportunities

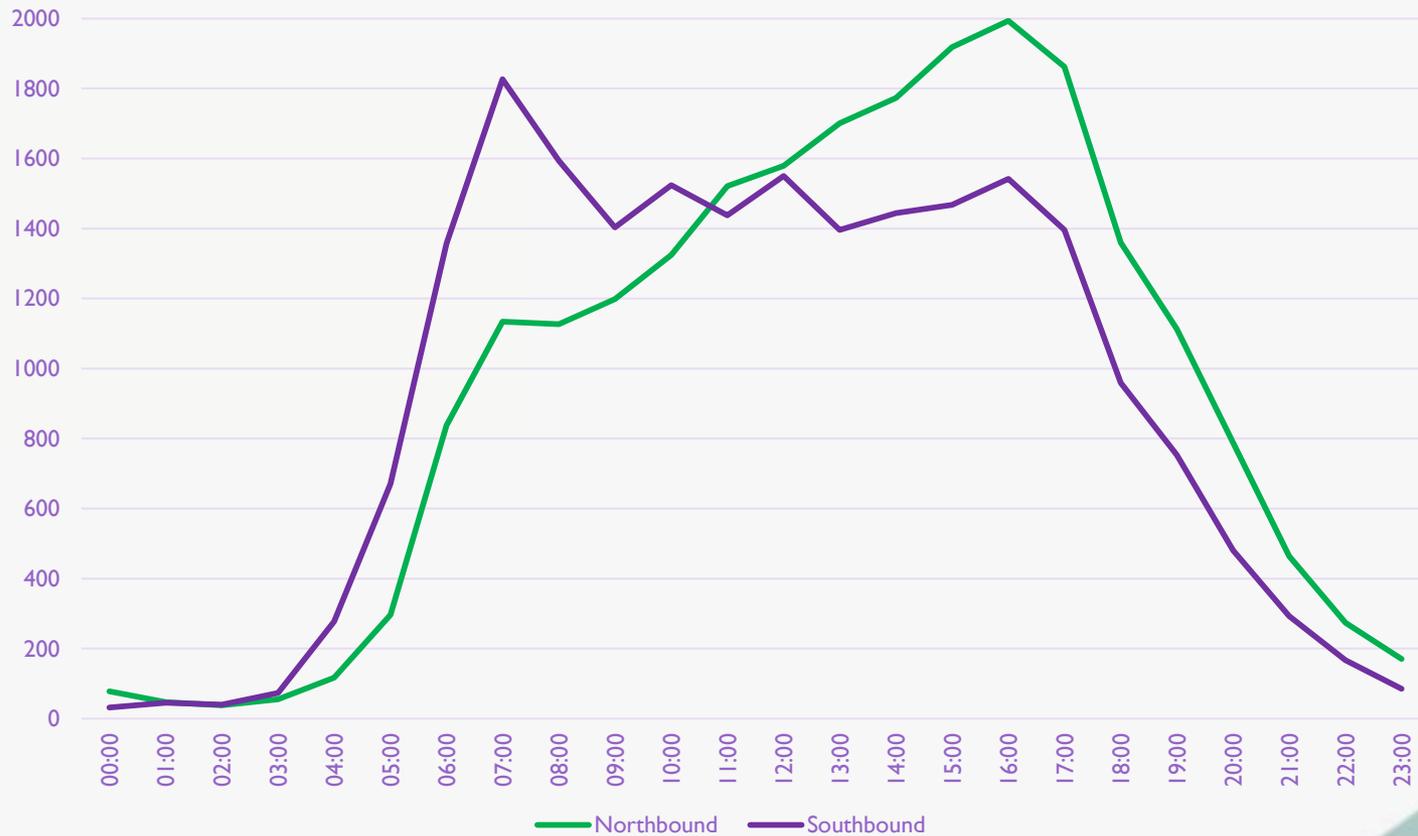
- Community workshops (2 more)
- City Commission and Council Hearings
- E-Newsletter (sign in sheet)
- Project website
 - www.menlopark-elcamino.com
- Online Survey
- Fill in comment card

Current Conditions

- Vehicle Traffic Volumes
 - 34,000 vehicles per day, north of Glenwood Avenue
 - 46,500 vehicles per day, north of Sand Hill Road
- Truck traffic
 - 1.5 - 2% of traffic during the afternoon
- Transit
 - Caltrain
 - SamTrans operates the ECR regional route, plus additional local and school routes on or near El Camino Real

Current Conditions

Hourly Traffic Trends – ECR north of Middle Avenue



Current Conditions – Pedestrians & Bicyclists

Hourly volumes (morning – afternoon)

Intersection	Pedestrian	Bicycle
ECR/Oak Grove Rd	53-88	20-7
ECR/Santa Cruz Ave	96-144	19-13
ECR/Ravenswood-Menlo Ave	35-46	26-25
ECR/Middle Ave	13-28	9-17
ECR/Sand Hill Rd	113-41	201-55

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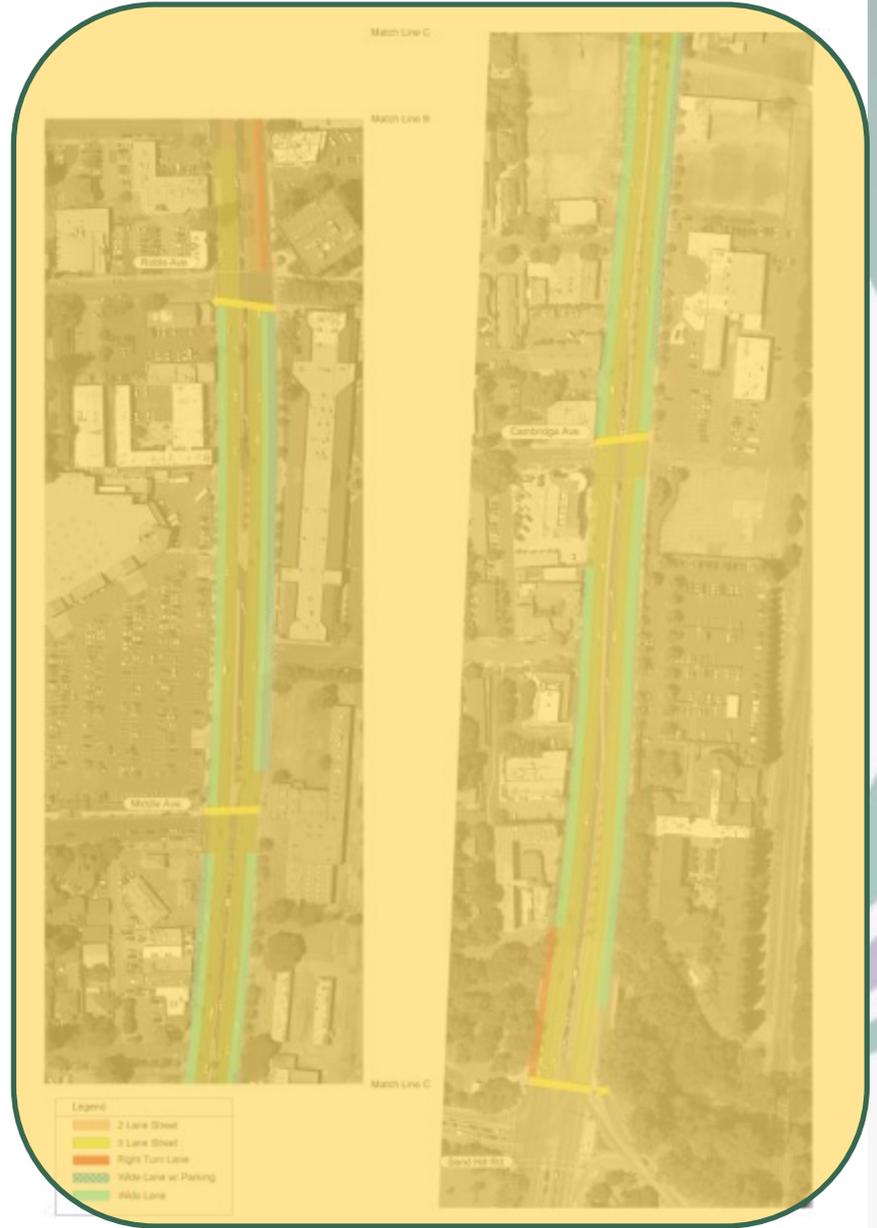
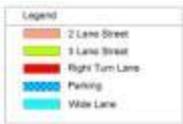
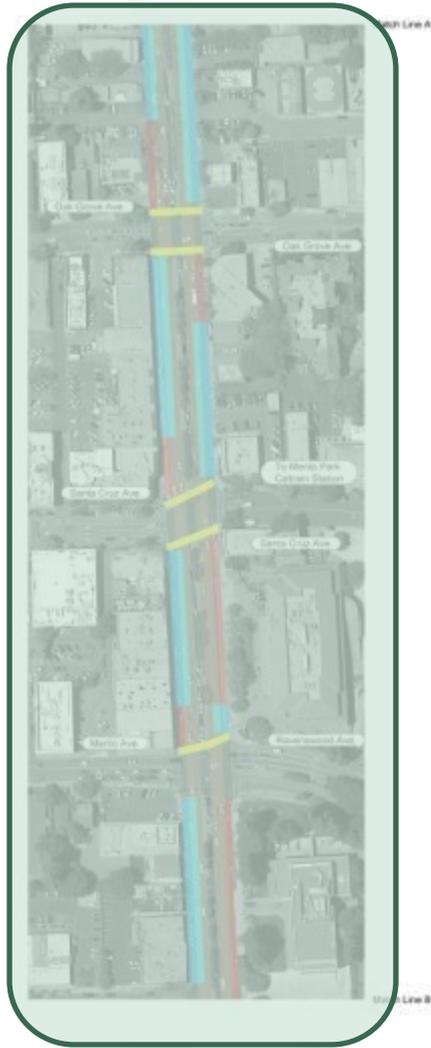
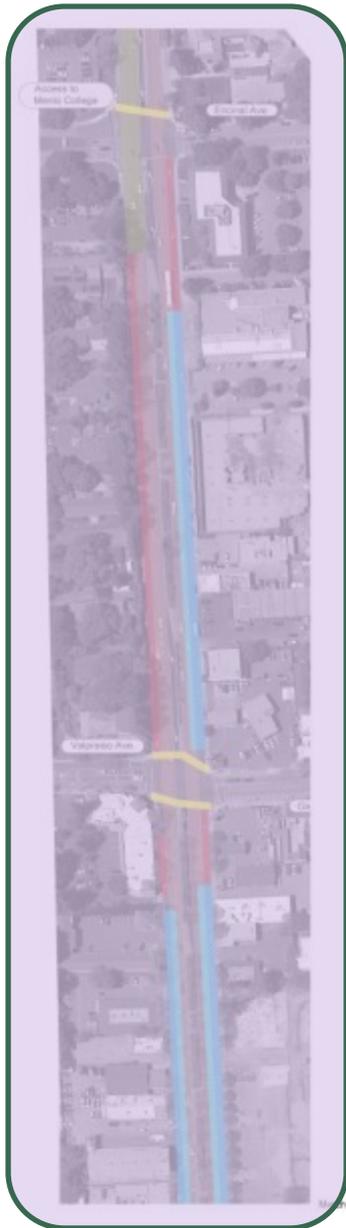
Visioning Exercise (7:20-8:00 pm)

- Vehicle Traffic
- Bicycle Facilities
- Pedestrian Sidewalks and Crosswalks
- Parking
- Transit
- Safety

Group Exercise (8:00-8:45 pm)

- Break into small groups
- Corridor broken into 3 segments
- Groups to discuss and suggest revisions
- Draw ideas, comments, concern areas on aerials
- Project team will be providing guidance
- Assign one spokesperson for your group

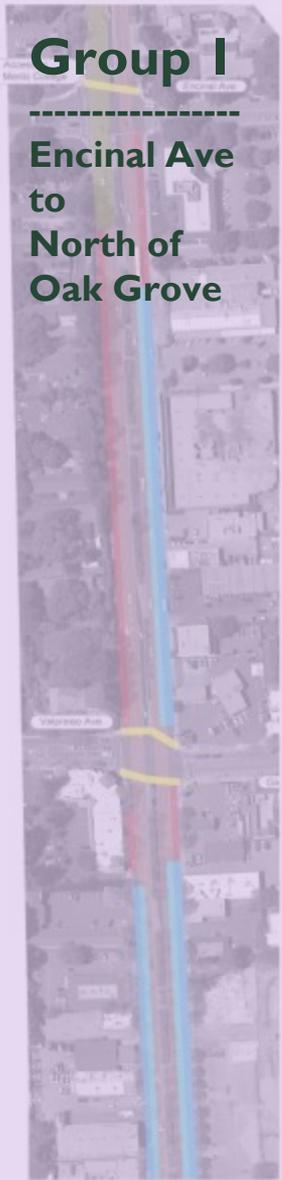
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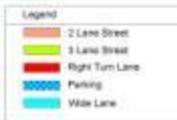
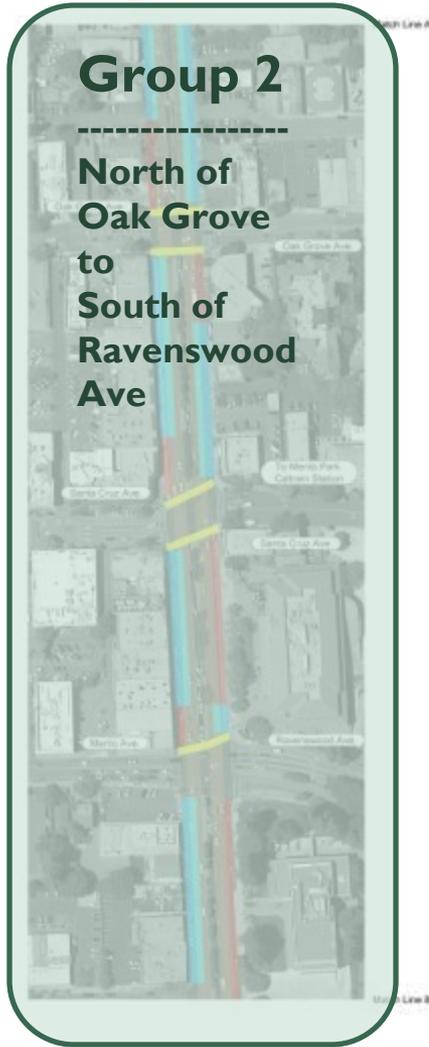
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Encinal Ave
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North of
Oak Grove



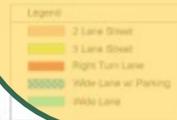
Group 2

North of
Oak Grove
to
South of
Ravenswood
Ave



Group 3

South of
Ravenswood Ave
To
Sand Hill Road



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- Sign in to get E-Newsletter
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- Visit the project website
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- Take the Survey on the website
- Next workshop in the Fall
(Existing Conditions and Alternatives Development)

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