

Fact Sheet- May 2001

I-710 Corridor

Interstate 710, the Long Beach Freeway, is the primary travel route for trucks and autos, connecting the Long Beach area with the greater Los Angeles region. From the Ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles to State Route 60, this travel corridor is approximately 18 miles long and is faced with a growing list of transportation problems and concerns, including:

- Sharp Increases in Truck Traffic
- Accident Risk / Safety Problems
- Poor Roadway Conditions and Outdated Freeway Design
- Growing Traffic Congestion
- Air Quality Concerns
- Quality of Life Issues for the Surrounding Communities

I-710 Study

The I-710 Major Corridor Study was initiated in February 2001 at the request of the cities along the corridor as an important first step needed to combat these transportation problems. Through this two-year study, the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) along with Caltrans, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) and the Gateway Cities Council of Governments are seeking ways to make transportation improvements to the I-710 travel corridor. The study will consider options such as added travel lanes to I-710, interchange improvements, separate lanes for trucks, and improved bus service, among other ideas. During the course of the study, transportation planners will analyze traffic patterns, perform conceptual engineering, prepare cost estimates, and evaluate environmental impacts associated with different transportation alternatives.

Study Purpose

The main goal of the I-710 Major Corridor Study is to reach agreement on the transportation alternative that best addresses the transportation problems and need for improvements in the long run. The study will also help determine which elements of the preferred alternative should be implemented as soon as possible. This information, along with the accompanying technical analysis produced by the study, is critical to obtaining the necessary funding and federal or state approvals for project construction. Toward the end of the study, an Oversight Policy Committee (OPC) comprised of elected officials from participating cities and agency representatives will select a preferred alternative based on public input and findings from the planning and engineering technical work.

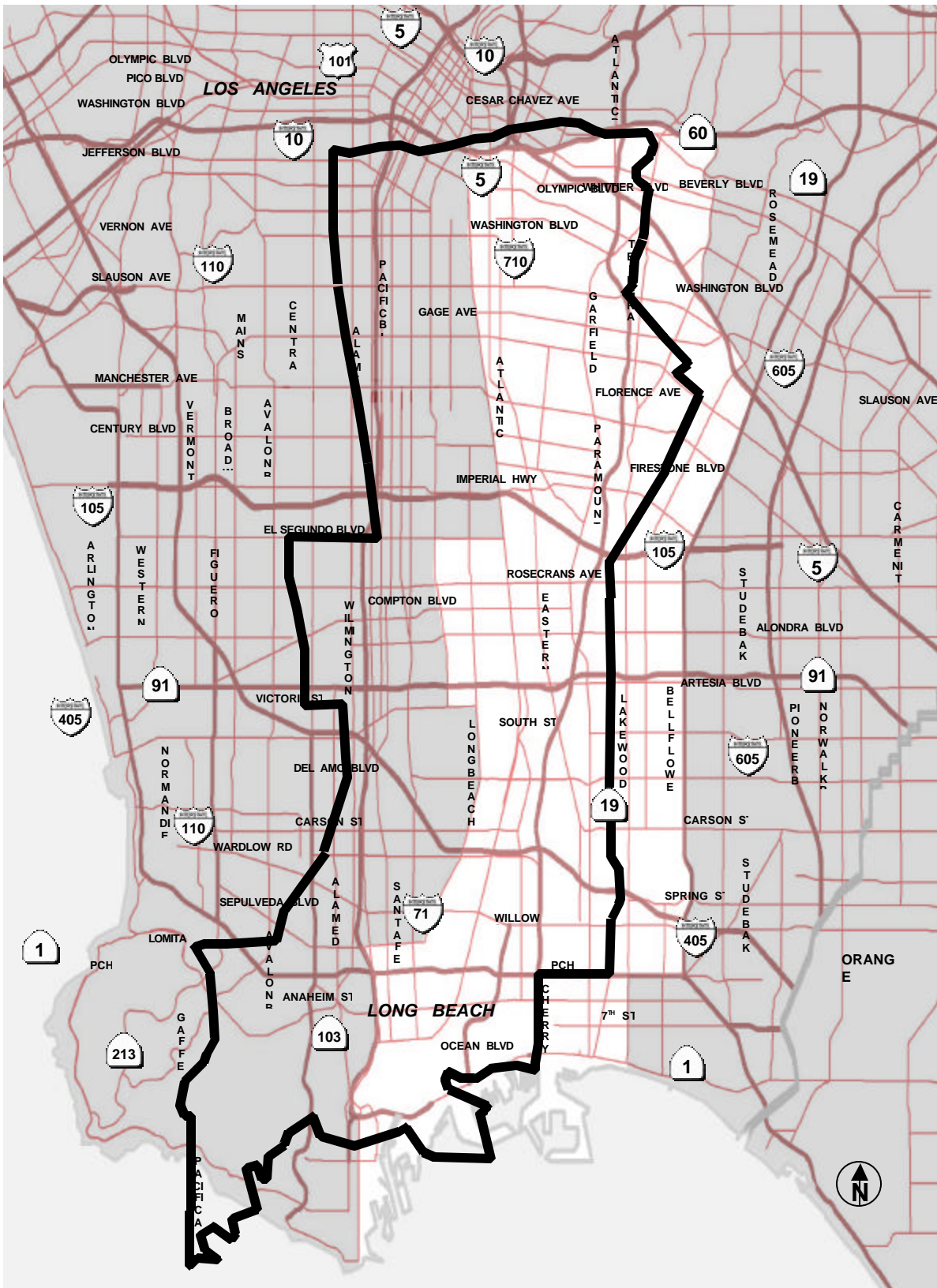
The Public's Role

The I-710 Study is divided into major work phases that result in a series of decision points. The study is designed to encourage public participation so that opinions from residents, business interests, community groups, and other project stakeholders are taken into account prior to these decision points.

I-710 Study – Major Work Phases



It is important that we hear from as many members of the public as possible as decisions are made throughout the two-year study. Public comments and opinions will be collected using several different methods, including a project website, questionnaires, public workshops, and community presentations.



Project Contact Information

If you have questions or comments on the I-710 Study or if you would like to find out about upcoming opportunities to participate in the project, do contact us at:

Si tiene preguntas o comentarios acerca del Estudio del I-710, o si gustaría ser informado de mas oportunidades para participar en el proyecto, por favor comuníquese con nosotros:

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