Town Council Meeting
March 16, 2021

Highway 17 Congestion Relief

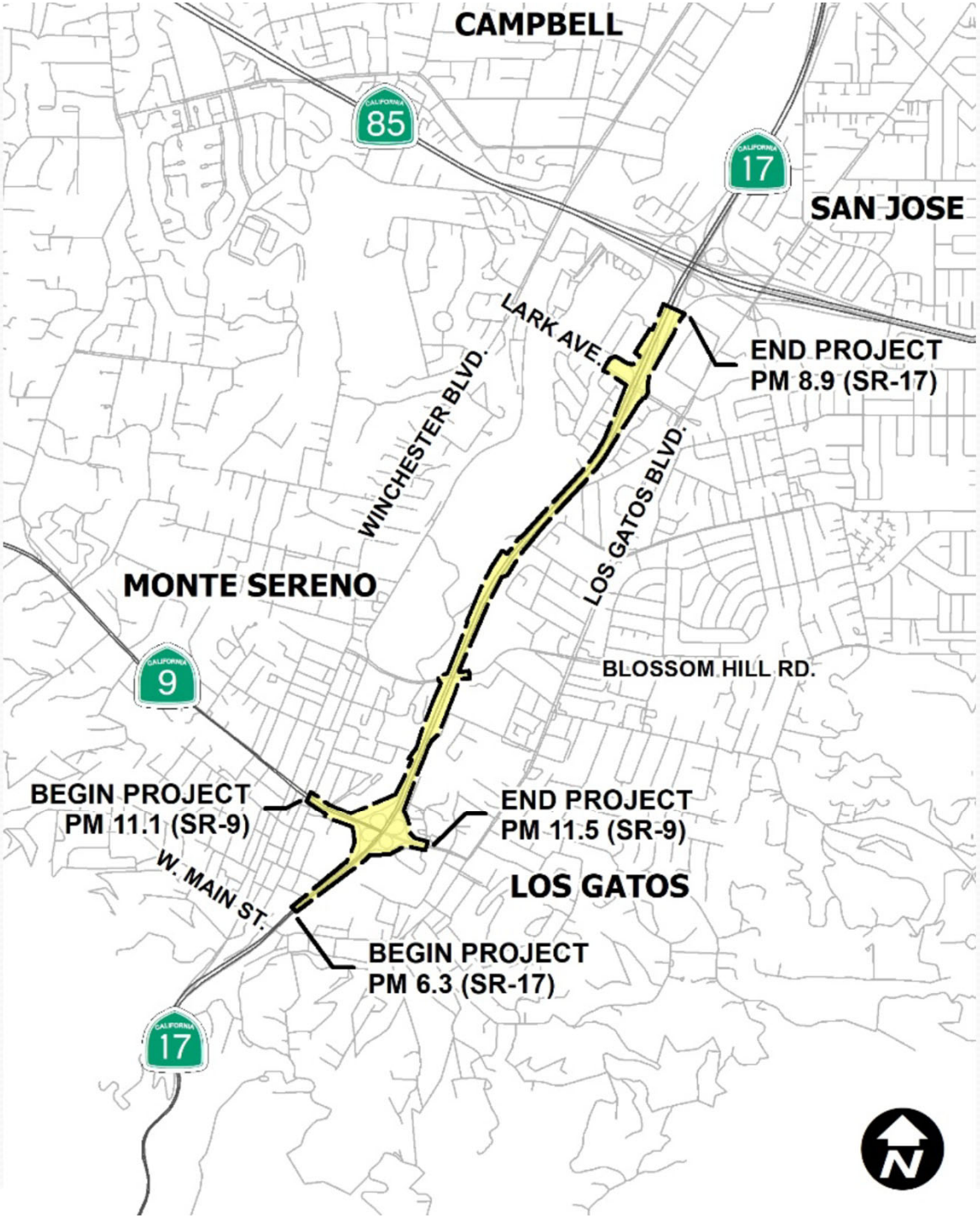
TOWN OF LOS GATOS

PROJECT BACKGROUND

- Specific Call Out in 2016 Measure B
- Stakeholders
  - Town as Project Sponsor
  - VTA as Project Lead
  - Caltrans

PROJECT BACKGROUND (CONTINUED)

- Need:
  - Heavy Congestion on Regional Connector
  - Cut Through Traffic Degrades Operations of Local Streets
  - Interchange at Highway 17 and Highway 9 is Obsolete
  - Bikes and Peds On Highway 9 Experience Dangerous Conflicts with Vehicles
- Purpose:
  - Relieve Congestion Along Highway 17
  - Reduce cut-through traffic in the Town
  - Improve SR 17/SR 9 interchange operations
  - Improve active transportation



PROJECT LIMITS

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Project Components

- Striping and Merge Lanes at Lark
- Auxiliary Lanes between Lark & Highway 9
- Interchange at Highway 9
  - Multimodal Improvements
  - Integration with Existing Infrastructure

PROJECT COMPONENTS

Caltrans Process

- ✓ Project Study Report – Project Development Support (PSR/PDS)
- Project Approval and Environmental Document (PAED)
- Project Specifications & Engineering (PS&E)
- Final Design
- Bid and Construction

CALTRANS PROCESS

Timeline

- Thru Dec 2022 – Environmental
- 2023/2024 – Acquire Right of Way
- 2023/2024 – PS&E
- March 2025 – Award of Bid
- October 2027 – Ribbon Cutting

TIMELINE

SEGMENT 1 – SOUTH OF LARK

- Extend Southbound Onramp Merge by Half Mile
- Continue Three Travel Lanes to Highway 9

SEGMENT 2
APPROACHING HWY 9

- One Committed Exit
- One Combined Exit/ Through Lane

INTERCHANGE OPTION 1

INTERCHANGE OPTION 2

Funding

- Total Project Cost $80M-90M
- Current Expenditures
  - PSR/PDS & PAED
    - $3.4M Measure B
    - $600k Town
- Future Funding
  - Measure B
  - State or Federal

COSTS

NEXT STEPS

- PAED
- Source Funding for
  - Final Design (PS&E)
  - Construction