

July Accomplishments

- Met with sub-consultants to clarify scope
- Kick-off meeting held
- Traffic Forecast approach meeting with StanCOG
- Route Adoption Strategy Meeting with Caltrans
- Performed travel time surveys on 19 corridors and began data reduction (about 50% complete).
- Internal Project Controls set up (Schedule, Budget, and Earned Value)
- Presented NCC Project at the City/County Public Works Coordination meeting
- Obtained aerial topographic mapping from Stanislaus County from 2001. However, the files did not contain control points or digital terrain model rendering the mapping unusable
- Obtained GIS line work for parcels, streets, canals, creeks, rivers, railroads, city limits and zoning and created base map

August Accomplishments

- Began traffic forecasting (about 6% complete for Task Order 1)
- Finalized data reduction to travel time surveys
- Directed traffic counting firm to begin roadway volume data collection
- Obtained counts from City of Modesto and County
- Draft Project Charter with Caltrans sent
- File-share website set up
- Obtained property owner database
- Focused Traffic Forecast meeting with Caltrans
- Focused Operations and Traffic Studies meeting
- Focused Environmental approach meeting with Caltrans to clarify roles and responsibilities and identify communication protocols. (Draft schedule has been developed)
- Assembled available environmental databases and technical experts who will be working on the project (combined Caltrans, JPA and consultant team members).
- Web domain names and logo concepts
- Public meeting checklist
- Presented NCC Project at Countywide Planning Directors meeting
- Meet with Caltrans establish photogrammetric mapping protocols, field surveys initiated

September Accomplishments

- Established Project logo and web page northcountycorridor.org.
- Prepared Project Risk Mitigation Plan
- Draft Project Charter comments addressed
- Ground targets set
- Press release issued

- Route adoption strategies presented to JPA agencies
- Existing traffic data collection and travel times completed
- Traffic Extrapolation Methodology Memo issued
- File-share system established

October Accomplishments

- Prepared and distributed Project brochure for public counters in Stanislaus County
- Plane flew corridor aerial mapping in process
- Public Scoping meetings set and advertisements made in local papers
- Notice of Preparation for environmental study issued and posted with State Clearinghouse
- Research of existing environmental documentation commenced
- Obtained Caltrans/StanCOG concurrence on “Design Year” for traffic modeling. Modeling forecast initiated
- Draft Communication Plan sent to Caltrans
- Public invitation to Scoping meetings sent to over 2500 residents
- Liaisoned with Caltrans, County, and City Public Information Officers
- Environmental Impact Evaluation Methodologies sent to Caltrans
- Public Involvement Plan submitted to Caltrans
- Sample display boards for public meetings in production
- Task order #2 draft proposal in process

November Accomplishments

- Completed traffic data collection
- Received aerial mapping and processing topography
- Finalized environmental review methodologies with Caltrans
- Finalized public meeting display boards, issued press releases and purchased ad space
- Developed Frequently Asked Questions
- Finalized logistics for Open Houses
- Conducted environmental focus and PDT meetings
- Compiled documents that illustrates the route adoption process, the risks, and funding
- Identified design exceptions associated with proposed alignments
- Conducted two public scoping meetings
- Held project strategy meeting with Caltrans District 10 management.
- Project Charter comments finalized
- Conducted meetings with Planning Directors for finalizing land use distributions assumptions for traffic analysis.