



BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA LETTER

Agenda Number:

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
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Department Name: Public Works  
Department No.: 054  
For Agenda Of: January 26, 2010  
Placement: Administrative  
Estimated Tme: N/A  
Continued Item: No  
If Yes, date from:  
Vote Required: Majority

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**TO:** Board of Supervisors  
**FROM:** Department Director Scott McGolpin, Department of Public Works, 568-3010  
Contact Info: Dacé Morgan, Deputy Director, Transportation, 568-3064  
**SUBJECT:** Construction of El Colegio Roadway Improvements (Phase II) Project; Third Supervisorial District; Public Works Project No. 864042

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**County Counsel Concurrence**

As to form: No

**Auditor-Controller Concurrence**

As to form: No

**Other Concurrence:** N/A

As to form: No

**Recommended Actions:**

That the Board of Supervisors:

Authorize the Director of Public Works to advertise for construction bids for the Construction of El Colegio Roadway Improvements (Phase II) Project in the Third Supervisorial District; Public Works Project No. 864042.

**Summary Text:**

The El Colegio Roadway Improvement Project (project) is a joint effort between the University of California at Santa Barbara (UCSB) and the County of Santa Barbara (County). The project is located along El Colegio Road, between UCSB and Camino Corto. Once complete, the project will improve circulation and accommodate traffic generated by the San Clemente Graduate Student Housing Project as well as traffic that would result from future development of the UCSB Campus, Isla Vista, and Goleta areas. The primary purpose of the project is to improve El Colegio Road from a two-lane road with center turn pockets, to a four-lane road with planted medians, bike lanes, traffic signals, and left turn lanes. El Colegio Phase II will mirror all facets of El Colegio Phase I which is nearing completion.

The project is occurring in two phases. Phase I has been completed and Phase II is scheduled for completion towards the end 2010. Both phases were evaluated and approved under one Environmental Document.

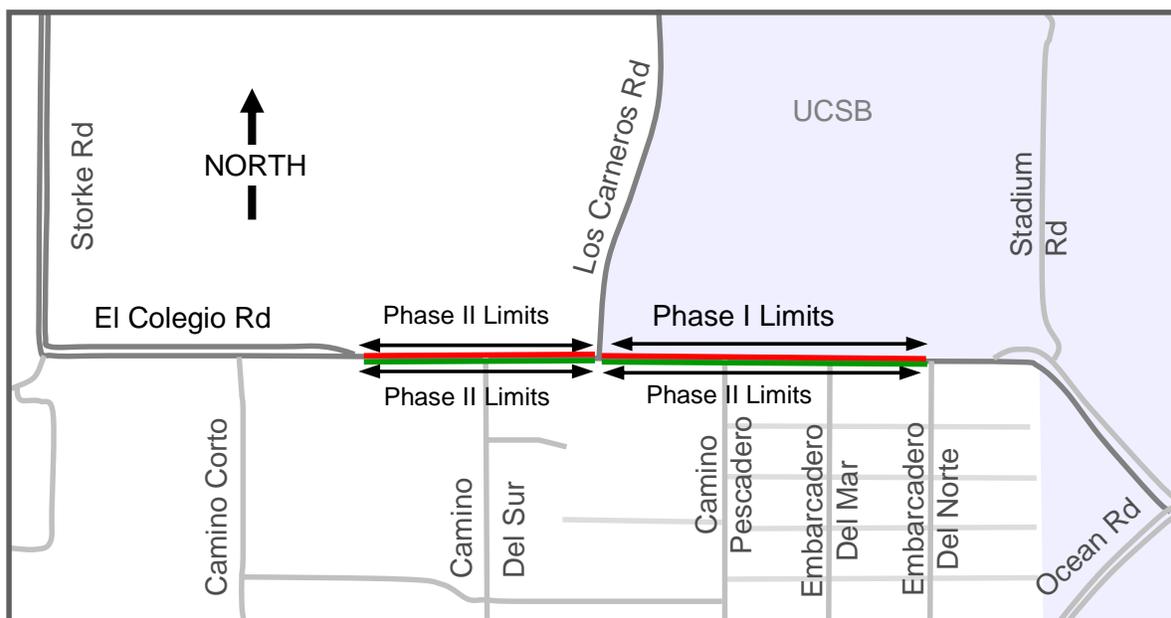
Phase I involved the construction of two new travel lanes with left-turn pockets, north of existing lanes along El Colegio Road. The east end of the improvements began at the UCSB main campus, West Gate

at Stadium Road. Improvements included four signalized intersections at the terminus of three streets from the Isla Vista area (Camino Pescadero, Embarcadero Del Mar, and Embarcadero Del Norte); and at the terminus of Los Carneros Road from the north.

Phase II will complete the project along El Colegio Road by improving the south side of Phase I, and continuing the four-lane improvements from Los Carneros to the existing four-lane segment, west of Camion Corto. The south side of El Colegio Roadway is being reconstructed to remove the substandard cross slope of the roadway. In the existing condition, the cross slope of the south side of the roadway ranges between 4% to 6% and under current roadway guidelines, if feasible, an agency should strive for a 2% cross slope. Therefore if funding allows, the Department will reconstruct the south side of El Colegio Roadway from Stadium Road to Los Carneros Road. From Los Carneros to the western terminus (775 feet west of Camino Del Sur) of the project the south side of El Colegio Roadway will be reconstructed to conform to the new intersection grades at Los Carneros and the proposed improvements at the Camino Del Sur intersection. This segment of the El Colegio Roadway will also strive for a 2% cross slope.

As part of the Phase II project the County is also working closely with UCSB to verify that all roadway improvements at the Camino Del Sur intersection are consistent with the future Santa Ynez driveway project. Although the future Santa Ynez driveway project is not part of the Phase II construction project the Department and UCSB are going through great efforts to verify that not only this project but all future improvements beyond the County right-of-way are consistent with the Phase II project.

During the construction period users of El Colegio Road should expect up to 20 minute delays due to traffic congestion and/or various staging operations. However, in an effort to minimize the impacts the department is working closely with UCSB for coordination, analyzing each of the needed construction activities closely to determine the best staging strategies, and determining the best methods to reduce the overall construction period. The department will also assign a traffic engineer to continually monitor the traffic situation during construction and give them the authority to make changes as needed.



**Limits of El Colegio Road Phase I and II**

If approved, the “Notice to Contractors” will be published prior to the date set for the opening of the bids. Sealed proposals to construct this project will be received at the front counter, Santa Barbara County Department of Public Works, County Engineering Building, 123 East Anapamu Street, Santa Barbara, California 93101, and at the North County Public Works Office, 620 West Foster Road, Santa Maria, California 93455, at a date to be determined, and will be opened publicly and read aloud.

**Background:**

The El Colegio Roadway Improvement (Phase I and II) project was evaluated and approved under one Environmental document on December 5, 2007 by the County Planning Commission. The vote on the item was 5-0. The requested actions included:

- a) Adopt required findings for the project, specified in the staff report dated November 16, 2007;
- b) Approve the Negative Declaration (Case No. 07NGD-00000-00030) and adopt the mitigation monitoring program contained in the conditions of approval;
- c) Determine that the project construction and exchange of easements between the County and UCSB within the project site is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan, including the Goleta Community Plan and the Coastal Land Use Plan, pursuant to Government Code §65402(a); and
- d) Approve the project

**Fiscal and Facilities Impacts:**

Budgeted: Yes

**Fiscal Analysis:**

<u>Funding Sources</u>	<u>Current FY Cost:</u>	<u>Annualized On-going Cost:</u>	<u>Total One-Time Project Cost</u>
General Fund			
State			
Federal			
Fees			
Other:			
Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

Narrative:

This project can be found on Page B-121 of the 2008-2013 Capital Improvement Plan. The project will be funded by County Redevelopment Agency, and UCSB via cost savings on the El Colegio Phase I project. To preserve the competitive bidding process for Public Contracts the Engineer’s Estimate will not be disclosed at this time.

The Public Works Department will return to the Board for the award of the construction contract and at that time will disclose all details and amounts of the construction funding.

Although the Engineer’s Estimate is not being disclosed, based on a current agreement UCSB will provide all cost savings from the Phase I project (estimated \$1,350,000) to the County. These funds from UCSB will only be used to fund north side construction costs including administrative expenses. Details of the university’s commitment are discussed in the attached letter. If additional funds are

needed for north side improvements UCSB has also agreed to fund up to an additional \$275,000. Particulars of these additional funds will be finalized between UCSB and the County after bids for the construction project are received.

The County of Santa Barbara's contribution to the construction of the Phase II project will be \$1,500,000. These funds will come from the County of Santa Barbara Redevelopment Agency.

In summary the total secured funding for the construction of the "Construction of the El Colegio Roadway Improvements (Phase II) Project" is \$3,125,000. This includes up to \$1,625,000 from UCSB (north side improvements only) and the \$1,500,000 from the County.

**Staffing Impacts:**

**Legal Positions:**

**FTEs:**

**Special Instructions:**

Please forward a certified, stamped copy of the Minute Order approving these recommendations to the Department of Public Works, Transportation Division, Engineering Section to the attention of Beverly Cross, Administrative Assistant, 568-3064

**Attachments:**

Agreement letter from UCSB date January 4, 2010

**Authored by:**

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