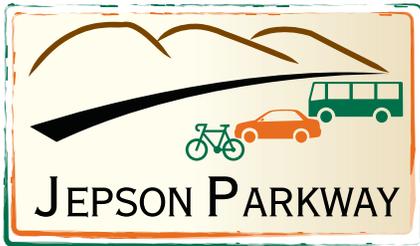


# JEPSON PARKWAY

June 2008



## Project Overview



In 2000, the Solano Transportation Authority (STA), Solano County, and the Cities of Fairfield, Suisun City, and Vacaville completed the Jepson Parkway Concept Plan. The Concept Plan was developed to address intra-county mobility for Solano County residents. The purpose of the Jepson Parkway Project is to meet the objectives of the Concept Plan and provide roadway improvements that create a safe, environmentally-conscious route for local traffic through central Solano County.

The Jepson Parkway corridor is approximately 12 miles long and passes through the jurisdictions of the of Fairfield, Suisun City, and Vacaville, as well as unincorporated portions of Solano County.

Studies indicate that traffic volumes in the corridor will continue increasing to the point that the number of vehicles on the roadways will exceed the capacity of existing facilities. This lack of capacity will result in added travel delays, and increase potential safety issues on the existing narrow two-lane roadways.

Four build alternatives are under consideration as part of the Jepson Parkway Project. The project would upgrade and link a series of existing local two- and four-lane roadways to provide a continuous four- to six-lane north-south travel route. Roadways proposed for improvements in the corridor could include Walters Road, Leisure Town Road, Vanden Road, Cement Hill Road, Huntington Drive, Air Base Parkway, and/or Peabody Road, including a possible extension of Walters Road north of its existing terminus. Four project alternatives being considered in the Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIR/EIS) are further described in this newsletter.

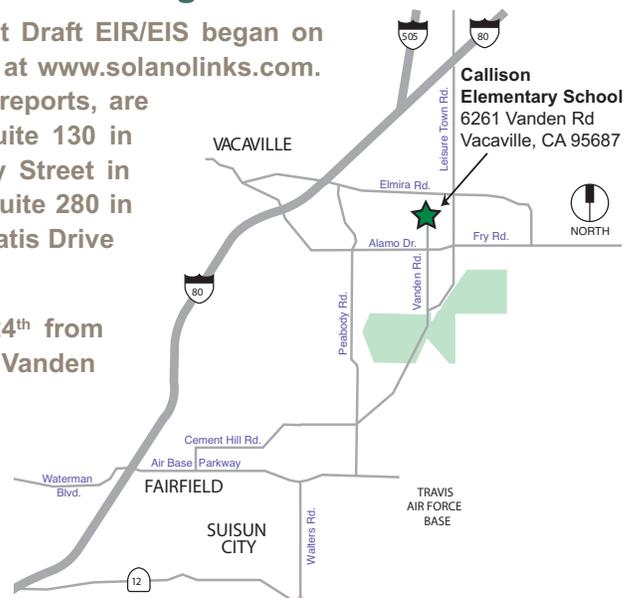
### Learn more about the project!

### Submit your comments at the upcoming Public Hearing.

The 60-day comment period for the Jepson Parkway Project Draft EIR/EIS began on June 6, 2008. The Draft EIR/EIS is available to review online at [www.solanolinks.com](http://www.solanolinks.com).

In addition, the Draft EIR/EIS, and all background technical reports, are available for review at STA office at One Harbor Center, Suite 130 in Suisun City; Fairfield Civic Center Library at 1150 Kentucky Street in Fairfield; Suisun City Public Library at 333 Sunset Avenue, Suite 280 in Suisun City; Vacaville Public Library/Cultural Center at 102 Ulatis Drive in Vacaville.

A public hearing on the project will be held on Tuesday, June 24<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Callison Elementary School, 6261 Vanden Road in Vacaville. If you have any comments regarding the proposed project, please attend the public hearing and/or send your written comments to STA. Comments will be accepted in person at the public hearing or in writing via email addressed to Janet Adams at [jadams@sta-snci.com](mailto:jadams@sta-snci.com) or mailed to One Harbor Center, Suite 130, Suisun City, CA 94585. All comments must be received by 5:00 p.m. on August 6, 2008.



# ALTERNATIVES UNDER CONSIDERATION

## Alternative A

- No build
- Continue maintaining existing roadways only

## Alternative B

- Four-lane divided arterial
- Widening of existing roadways - Walters Road, Cement Hill Road, Vanden Road, and Leisure Town Road
- Construction of a northern extension of Walters Road from Cement Hill Road to Air Base Parkway
- Grade separation over railroad tracks as part of the Walters Road Extension
- Improvements at the Leisure Town Road crossings of New Alamo Creek and Vanden Road crossing of Union Creek
- New crossing of McCoy Creek and McCoy detention basin
- Continuous bicycle and pedestrian paths

## Alternative C

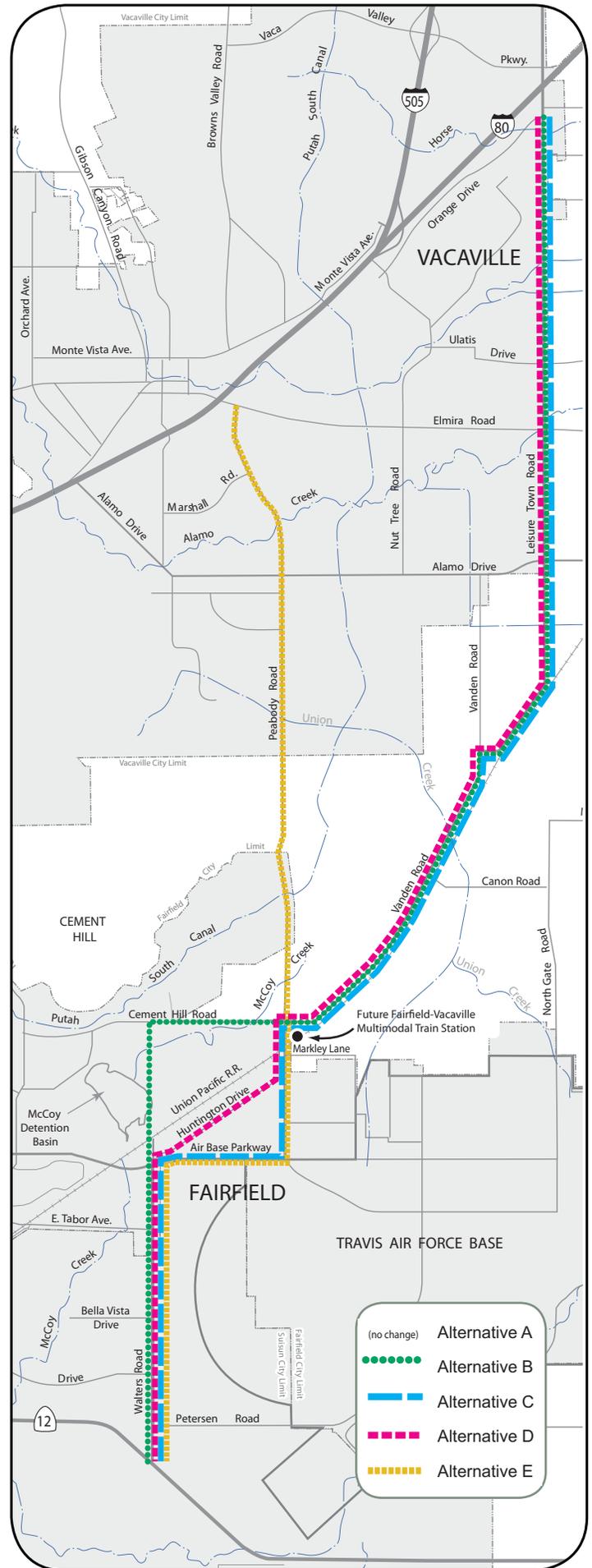
- Four- to six-lane divided arterial
- Widening of existing roadways - Walters Road, Air Base Parkway, Peabody Road, Vanden Road, and Leisure Town Road
- Improvements at the crossings of New Alamo Creek and Vanden Road Crossing of Union Creek
- Grade separation over railroad tracks at Peabody Road
- Flyover ramp at the Air Base Parkway/Peabody Road intersection
- Continuous bicycle and pedestrian paths

## Alternative D

- Four- to six-lane divided arterial
- Widening of existing roadways - Walters Road, Huntington Drive, Peabody Road, Vanden Road, and Leisure Town Road
- Grade separation over railroad tracks at Peabody Road and over railroad tracks at Huntington Drive
- Improvements at the Leisure Town Road crossings of New Alamo Creek and Vanden Road crossing Union Creek
- Continuous bicycle and pedestrian paths

## Alternative E

- Four- to six-lane divided arterial
- Widening of existing roadways - Walters Road, Air Base Parkway, and Peabody Road
- Improvements at the crossings of Putah South Canal, Alamo Creek, and Union Creek
- Grade separation over railroad tracks at Peabody Road
- Flyover ramp at the Air Base Parkway/Peabody Road intersection
- Continuous bicycle and pedestrian paths



## Background/Project Benefits

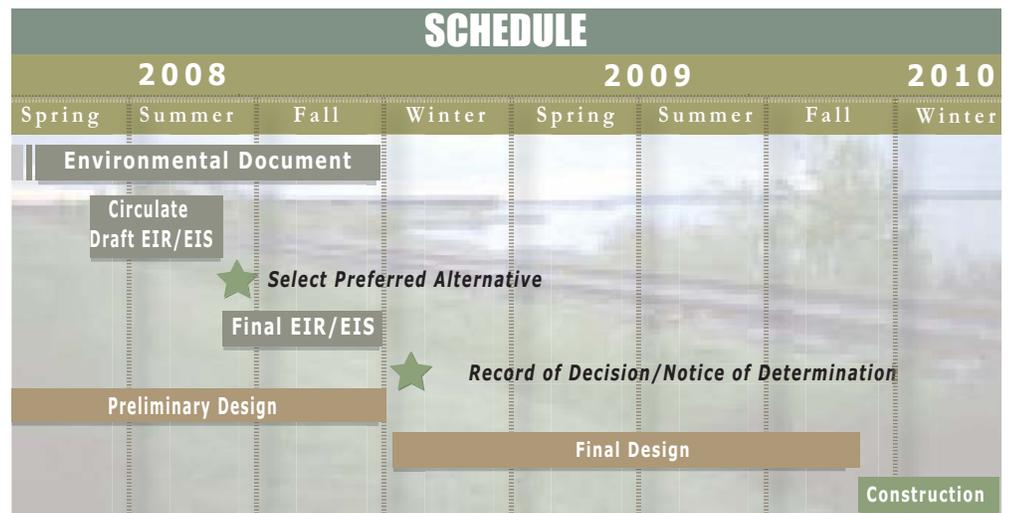
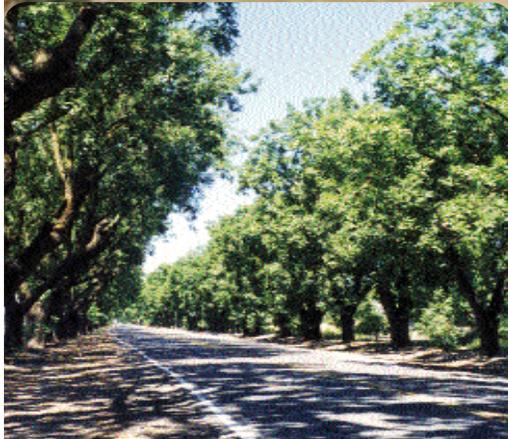
The 1989 *Strategic Traffic Planning Study* indicated that the Jepson Parkway Project is needed to help alleviate current and future congestion on I-80 by providing an alternative route for local traffic in Solano County. The study showed that local Solano County traffic is a factor contributing to congestion on I-80, and that resulting delays on I-80 will escalate as the County grows and regional traffic increases. The study recommended improving local arterial roadways to serve local trips.

In 1998, STA prepared the *Solano Travel Safety Plan* (updated in 2005) to identify travel safety deficiencies in Solano County and to recommend a program of cost-effective travel safety improvements and projects. Four intersections in the corridor were among the top 40 most accident-prone local intersections throughout the County. The Jepson Parkway Project would address these safety concerns by improving intersections in the corridor.

Growth outlined in approved local plans is expected to increase traffic congestion along the corridor. The project would accommodate traffic increases associated with this future planned growth along an alternative route I-80.

The project would also support future multimodal transit options in central Solano County. As a separate project being planned in coordination with the Jepson Parkway Project, the Fairfield-Vacaville Multimodal Train Station would be a multimodal transportation hub for the Capitol Corridor intercity passenger train service and for feeder bus systems serving the train station. The Jepson Parkway Project has been designed to accommodate the currently proposed train station location and enhance access to the station site, and provide an important local corridor for local transit service between Fairfield, Suisun City, and Vacaville.

The project is also needed to meet the planning goals of the countywide bicycle plan. In the corridor, this plan shows a continuous bicycle path along Leisure Town Road, Vanden Road, Cement Hill Road, and Walters Road. The Jepson Parkway Project would provide a 10-foot wide bike path along most of the entire (12-mile) length of the planned Jepson Parkway.



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## The Jepson Parkway Project reaches a major milestone!

The Draft Environmental Impact Report/Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIR/EIS) for the Jepson Parkway Project is now available for public review and comment.

### For more information:

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