



Caltrans Projects in Development Within City of Watsonville



City of Watsonville City Council

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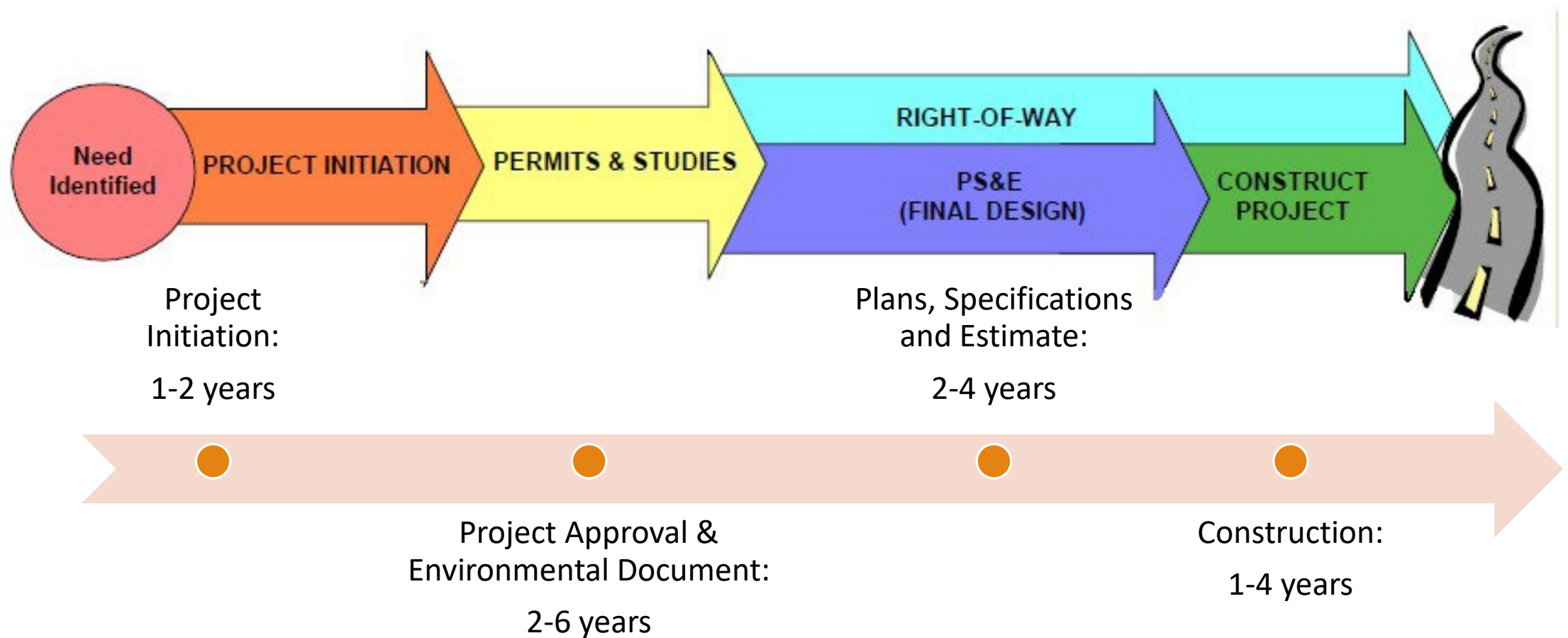
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Caltrans Project Development

- ❖ Four Year Program of Projects
- ❖ Adopted by the California Transportation Commission every 2 years
- ❖ “Fix-it First” approach to fund safety, maintenance, and preservation projects
- ❖ Funding tied to individual assets (e.g., bridge, culvert, roadway) of the State Highway Facility



Caltrans Project Development



Clean California
Beautification Project
(EA- 1P530)

Holohan Road
Intersection
Improvements
(EA- 0T770)

State Route 129
Pavement
(EA- 1R340)

Harkins
Bike/Pedestrian
Overcrossing
(EA- 1G490)

State Route 152
Pavement and
Complete Streets
(EA- 1P110)

State Route 129
Pavement
(EA- 1J830)

Downtown
Watsonville Safety
Project
(EA- 1Q150)



State Route 129 Pavement

Funding: SHOPP

Asset: Pavement

Phase: Final Design

Status: 99% Designed

Next Steps:

- Finish RW Certification
- Final review by Office Engineer

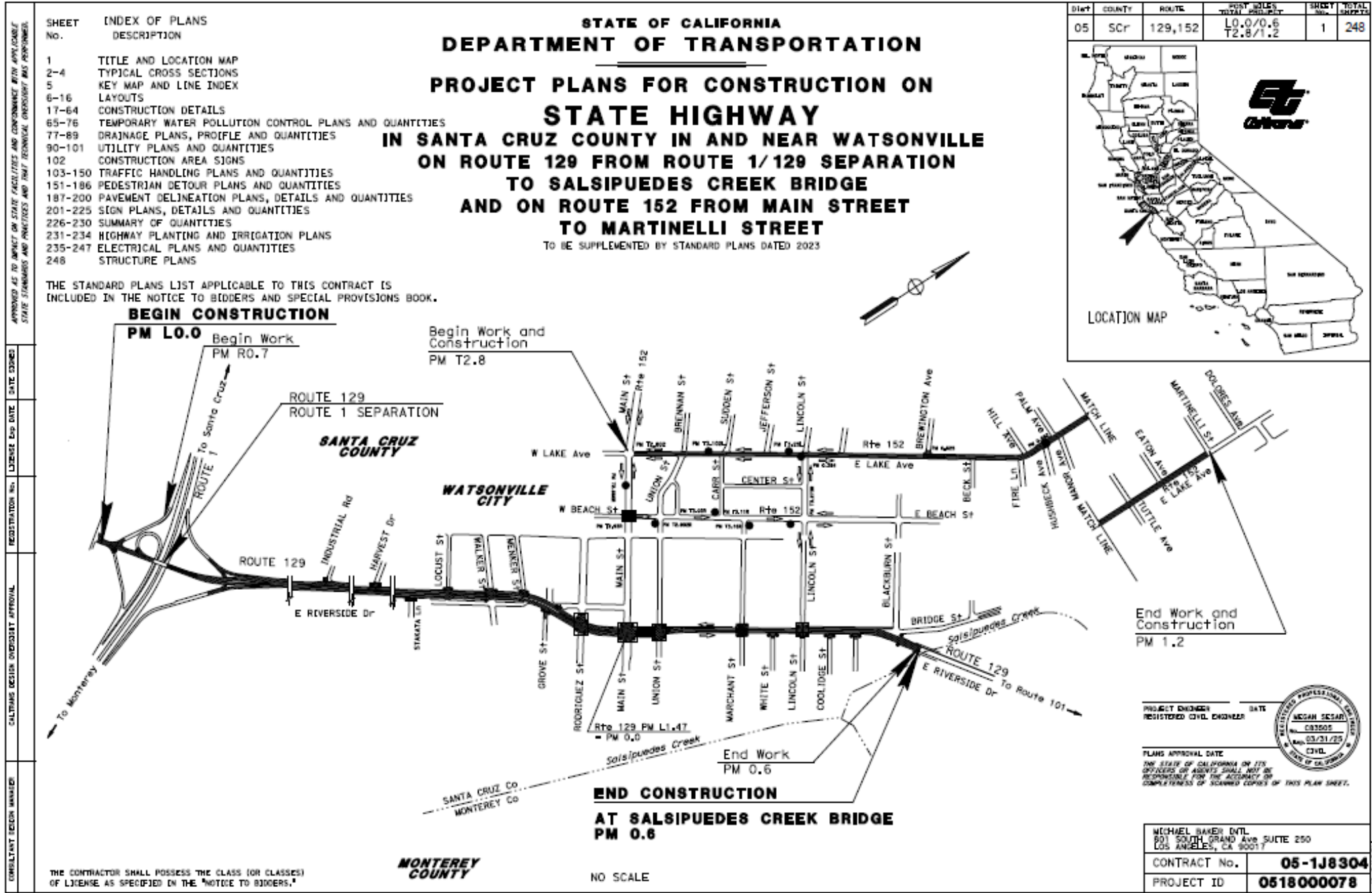
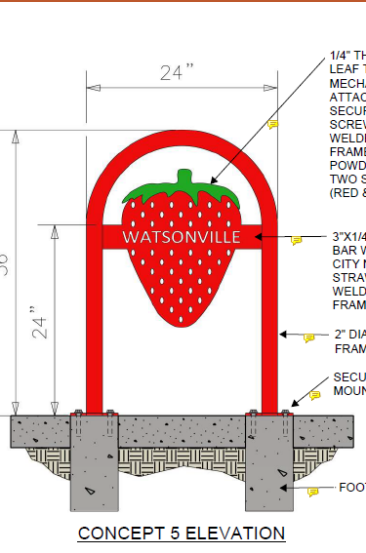
CON Target: Winter 2025-26

Core Project Outcomes

- Refreshed lane striping and pavement rehabilitation
- Upgraded existing crosswalks to high-visibility striping
- ADA compliant curb ramps

Added Bicycle/Pedestrian Features

- Curb extensions at spot locations on SR 152
- Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon on E. Lake and Brewington Ave
- Sidewalk Widening on SR 129 between Lincoln and Blackburn
- Strawberry bike racks



Downtown Watsonville Safety Project

Program: SHOPP

Asset: Safety (010)

Phase: Env (PA&ED)

Status: Conducting studies of scope elements and securing permits

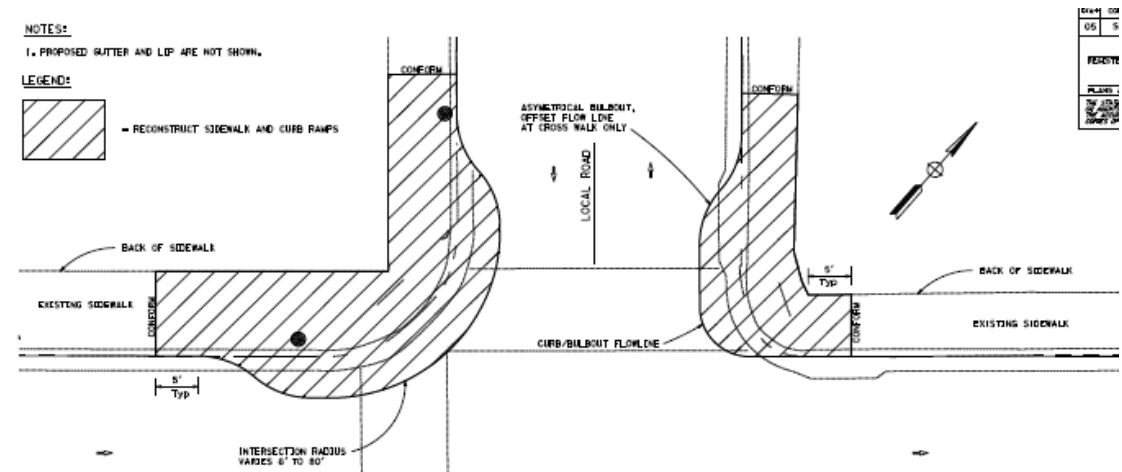
Next Steps:

- Publish Project Report
- Design Phase

CON Target: Winter 2026-27

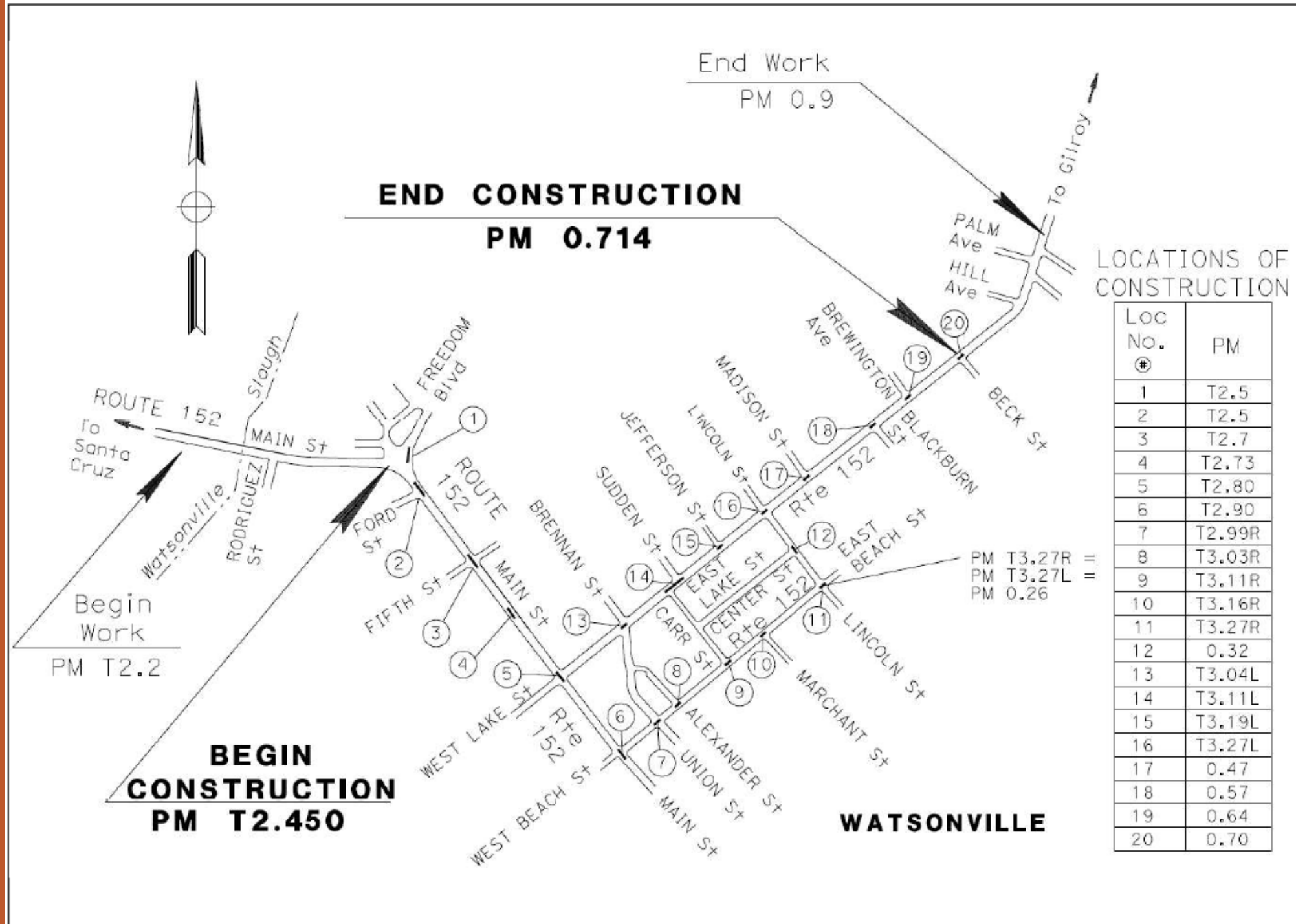
Core Project Outcomes

- Shorted pedestrian crossing distances through curb extensions
- High-visibility crosswalk striping to raise pedestrian visibility



Typical Bulbout Layout

Downtown Watsonville Safety Project Project Map



State Route 152 Pavement and Complete Streets

Program: SHOPP

Asset: Complete Streets

Phase: Env (PA&ED)

Status: Will begin conducting studies of scope elements in summer 2024

Next Steps:

- Publish Project Report
- Design Phase

CON Target: Spring 2031

Core Project Outcomes

- Upgraded existing crosswalks to high-visibility striping
- ADA compliant curb ramps
- Refreshed lane striping and pavement
- Road diet (Freedom/SR -152 to Main/Beach St)

Additional Project Features

- Protected bike lane (Green Valley Rd to Freedom)
- Six pedestrian refuge islands
- Culvert/drainage enhancement
- New crosswalks at select locations

Road Diet Feature

Road Diet

Proposed on **Highway 152 (Main St)** from **Freedom Blvd** to **Beach St**

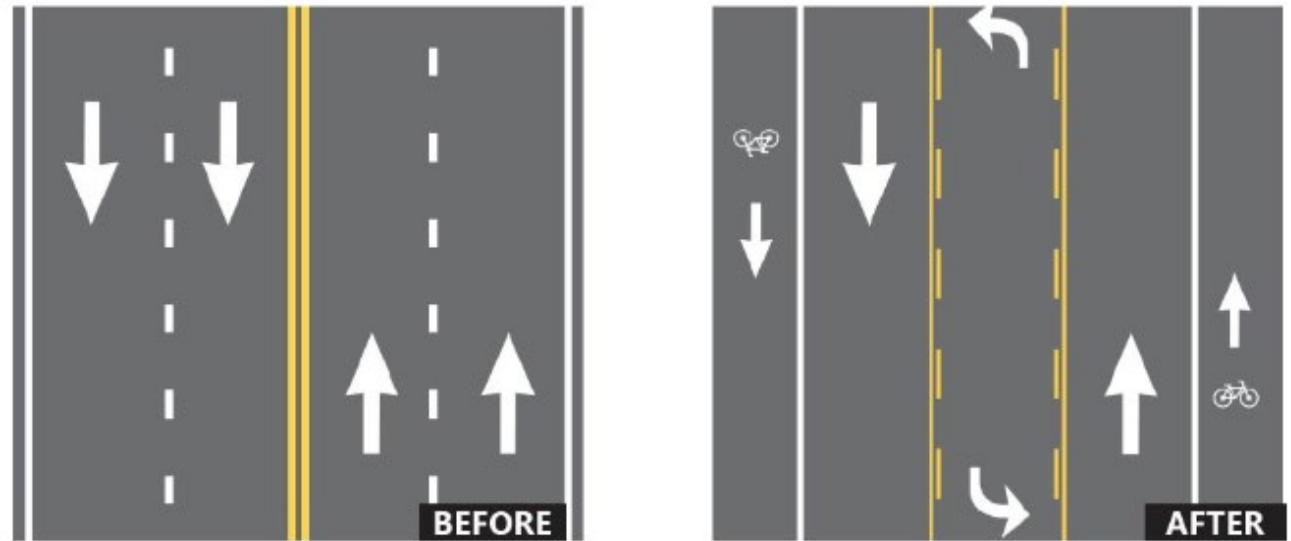
Convert:

4 lanes (2 each direction)

To

3 lanes (1 each direction + center turn lane)

Widen sidewalks to enhance pedestrian experience



FHWA Example of a Road Diet

Replace Salsipuedes Creek Culvert

- Existing structure built in 1967
- Existing size: 15 feet (diameter)
- Proposed project:
 - Replace with 3-sided reinforced concrete box culvert
 - 16 ft wide x 15 ft tall



City Council Resolution in Support of the Project

2. The Watsonville City Council hereby adopts this resolution in support of Caltrans Project 05-1P110 ...that will increase mobility, accessibility and safety for all users and may alter existing traffic patterns, increase vehicle congestion and delays, and impact travel behavior.

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RESOLUTION NO. 195-22 (CM)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE IN SUPPORT OF CALTRANS PROJECT 05-1P110 INTEGRATING COMPLETE STREETS INFRASTRUCTURE AND COMPONENTS ALONG STATE ROUTE 152 WITHIN THE CITY OF WATSONVILLE

WHEREAS, in December 2021, the California Department of Transportation ("CALTRANS") adopted a Complete Streets Policy (Caltrans Director's Policy No. DP-37) for all new transportation projects it funds or oversees to ensure they include "Complete Street" features that provide safe and accessible options for people walking, biking and taking transit. This policy is intended to expand the availability of sustainable transportation options to help meet the state's climate, health and equity goals; and

WHEREAS, a Complete Street provides mobility for people of all ages and abilities, particularly those who are walking, biking, using assistive mobility devices, and riding transit. Complete Streets offer several benefits, including enhancing safety and creating more sustainable transportation options to decrease dependence on driving and improving public health by encouraging active transportation like walking and biking. As such, a Complete Street is an enhanced transportation facility that provides comfortable and convenient mobility, and improves accessibility and connectivity to destinations for all travelers; and

WHEREAS, Complete Streets are especially attuned to the needs of people walking, using assistive mobility devices and maximize the existing right-of-way by prioritizing space efficient forms of mobility, such as walking and biking, while also facilitating goods movement in a manner with the least environmental and social impacts; and

Reso No. 195-22 (CM)
Meeting Date: 09/13/22

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September 13, 2022

Other Projects of Interest

Harkins Bike/Ped Overcrossing

- City Sponsored Project
- Caltrans Completing Final Design and Right of Way
- Estimated Construction: Summer 2025

Clean California Watsonville

- Caltrans Clean California Project
- In Construction
- Estimated Completion: January 2026

Holohon Road Intersection Improvements

- County of Santa Cruz Project
- In Construction
- Estimated Completion: July 2024

State Route 129 Pavement (County)

- Caltrans Project in Project Initiation Phase
- Estimated Construction: Fall 2027

Thank you

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