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Turn Pockets to Close at Hearn/Corby Ave. Intersection in San Rosa For Nine Months, Making Room to Widen Overcrossing

Closures begin in early hours on Wednesday, May 29, 2024

SANTA ROSA — As part of the Hwy 101/Hearn Avenue Overcrossing Replacement Project in Santa Rosa, Caltrans will close the right-turn lane from westbound Hearn Avenue to northbound Corby Avenue, and the left turn pocket from southbound Corby to eastbound Hearn, before the start of the morning commute on Wednesday, May 29, 2022.

The turn pockets will be closed for nine months, providing space for Caltrans to build the northern section of the new Hearn Avenue Overcrossing.

During the closure, the



single westbound lane on Hearn Avenue will serve vehicles turning right or left onto Corby and vehicles traveling straight on Hearn Avenue. Westbound motorists should allot more travel time during the closure, as capacity on Hearn Avenue will be reduced.

Also, Caltrans will close the left turn pocket on southbound Corby, making the single southbound lane serving traffic turning left or right onto Hearn or through traffic on Corby.

The Hearn Avenue Project is a partnership between Caltrans Sonoma County Transportation Authority (SCTA) and the City of Santa Rosa to upgrade the existing overcrossing that spans U.S. Highway 101 with a single eastbound and westbound lane and includes only a small sidewalk for pedestrians.

The new \$43.7 million project will include two eastbound and westbound lanes and feature two sidewalks, two Class 4 bicycle lanes, and other elements designed to reduce congestion and better serve people who walk and bike in southern Santa Rosa.

This project is an example of Caltrans' <u>Complete Streets Program</u>, which adds multimodal upgrades to new projects when feasible.

The project was first envisioned in the 1990s and became feasible in 2004 when Sonoma County passed Measure M, a quarter-cent sales tax to fund transportation upgrades. In 2020, voters approved an extension of Measure M.

The SCTA contributed \$17.2 million through Measure M funds, and the City of Santa Rosa contributed \$9.4 million.

The project also received \$17 million in state funds, \$8.6 million through the Senate Bill (SB) 1 LPP competitive program, \$5 million through SB 1 Local Partnership Program (LPP), and \$3.4 million from the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

When completed in late 2025, the Hearn Avenue Overcrossing will comply with new regulations to allow taller vehicles to pass beneath.

For more information about the Hearn Avenue Replacement Project, go to:

US 101/Hearn Avenue Regional Multimodal Interchange | Caltrans.

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