



Frequently Asked Questions

ABOUT THE STUDY

What is the purpose of the Roth Road Improvement Study?

Answer: The purpose of the Roth Road Improvement Study is to identify a transformative package of prioritized system improvements to improve mobility and facilitate essential freight and rail operations on Roth Road and the surrounding area. This in turn will divert unwanted truck traffic from Lathrop Road, Louise Avenue and Airport Way and help facilitate local agency plans to allow these roadways to safely function more as multi-modal Complete Streets.

The Roth Road Improvement Study will also examine the possibility of forming a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) between San Joaquin County, City of Lathrop and the City of Manteca to administer and implement a program to help fund the identified improvements and better position SJCOG and participating member agencies to better compete for state/federal competitive grant funding.

Who is responsible for the Roth Road Improvement Study?

Answer: The Roth Road Improvement Study is being conducted by the San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) in partnership with the County of San Joaquin and the Cities of Lathrop and Manteca.

Is the Roth Road Improvement Study part of the SJCOG Truck Study?

Answer: No. The Roth Road Improvement Study is specific to the Roth Road corridor and localized study area (see map) and will entail identifying infrastructure improvements that will improve operations and safety. Conversely, the SJCOG Truck Study is focused on the connectivity of regional truck route system (i.e., STAA Designated Truck Routes, Terminal Access Routes, and Service Access Routes) countywide. The two planning efforts will be coordinated however given that Roth Road is designated as a STAA Terminal Access Route and as such will be addressed as part of both plans.

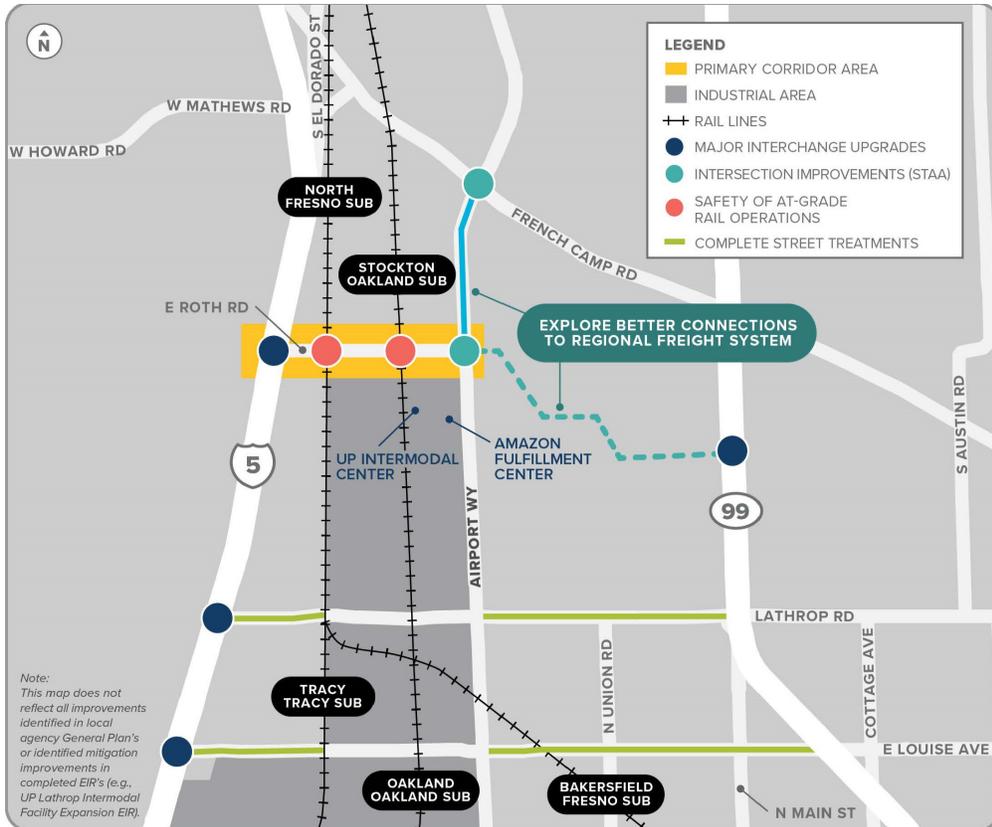
How much does the study cost and how is it being paid for?

Answer: The project budget to develop the Roth Road Improvement Study is \$300,000.

What are the plan's project limits?

Answer: The study area is bordered by the following roadway segments (See Map):

West: I-5
East: SR 99
North: French Camp Road
South: Louise Avenue



How does this study differ from a planning-level conceptual study?

Answer: The plan will recommend multi-modal improvements that will be evaluated for operational, safety and air quality benefits including functional design and right-of-way using performance metrics from federal/state competitive grant programs. Combined with planning level cost estimates, this information will allow the proposed improvements to be “grant ready” and competitive for future transportation grant funding cycles.

How long will the study take to complete?

Answer: The study will take approximately twelve (12) months to complete. It began in November 2021 and is scheduled to be completed by November 2022.

Who is performing the study?

Answer: The consultant team comprising of DKS, Mark Thomas & Company, Urban Economics, and Wiltec have been retained to perform the study.

PUBLIC OUTREACH

How can I participate in the Roth Road Improvement Study?

Answer: There will be multiple opportunities for the public to provide input, including attending public workshops, other public meetings, and utilizing the project webpage RothRoadImprovementStudy.com to review project information and provide comments. The website will evolve to include surveys, comment options, meeting agendas and summaries, and other relevant materials prepared as part of the planning effort. The website also includes an interactive web-based mapping tool that will allow the public to provide comments throughout the course of the study. Comments can be placed at specific locations on the map to accurately denote where there is a concern (i.e., safety, congestion, etc.) or where a desired improvement is wanted. The interactive mapping tool for public input is available in 80 languages for easy use. The public is also invited to attend regularly scheduled SJCOG Board meetings to learn more about the plan and to provide comments.

How many public workshops are being held for the study?

Answer: Public workshops will be held virtually, target timeframes are April 2022 and October 2022. The first public workshop will provide an overview of the project and will seek the public's insight into specific areas or locations that present operational or safety issues in the study area. That information, along with data and analysis developed by the project team, will be used to inform the study's proposed infrastructure improvements. The second public workshop will provide the public with an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed improvements.

What is the Stakeholder Advisory Committee?

Answer: The Stakeholder Advisory Committee (SAC) is made up of a diverse range of groups and organizations based primarily within the Roth Road study area. Each SAC group or organization will appoint one representative to attend SAC meetings on their behalf. The role of each SAC representative will be to communicate their group's specific interest in the project. A list of SAC members is available on the project webpage: RothRoadImprovementStudy.com

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