



# SR 78 Corridor Study



# Workshop Purpose

- Provide information on improvements planned for SR 78 corridor
- Share State Route 78 Corridor Study
- Gather input on needs for SR 78

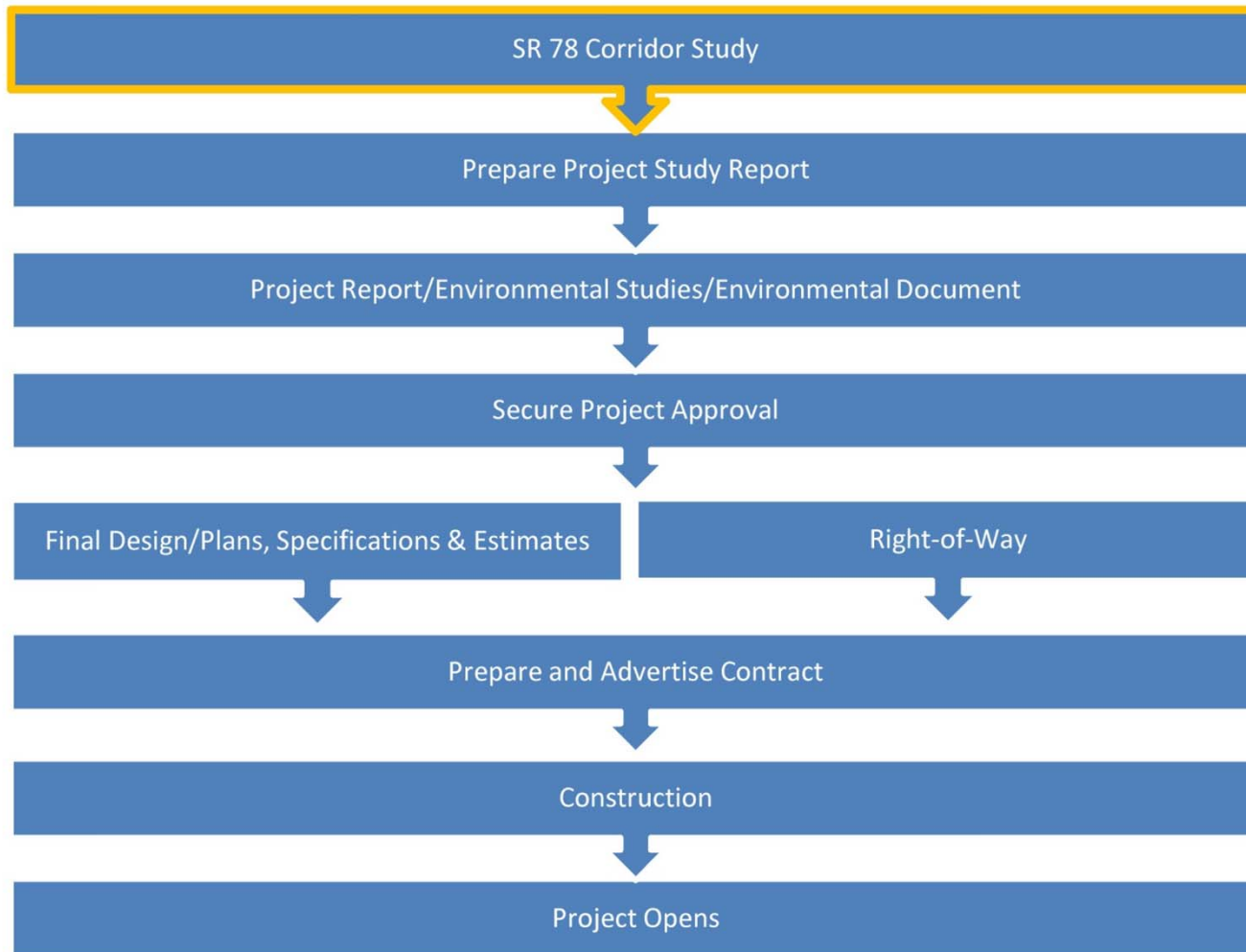


# Corridor Study History

- County's worst bottleneck at Barham Drive
- 2030 Regional Transportation Plan (RTP): SR 78 project in 2030
- Caltrans Planning Partnership Grant
- 2050 RTP: SR 78 project in 2020



# SR 78 Project Development Process

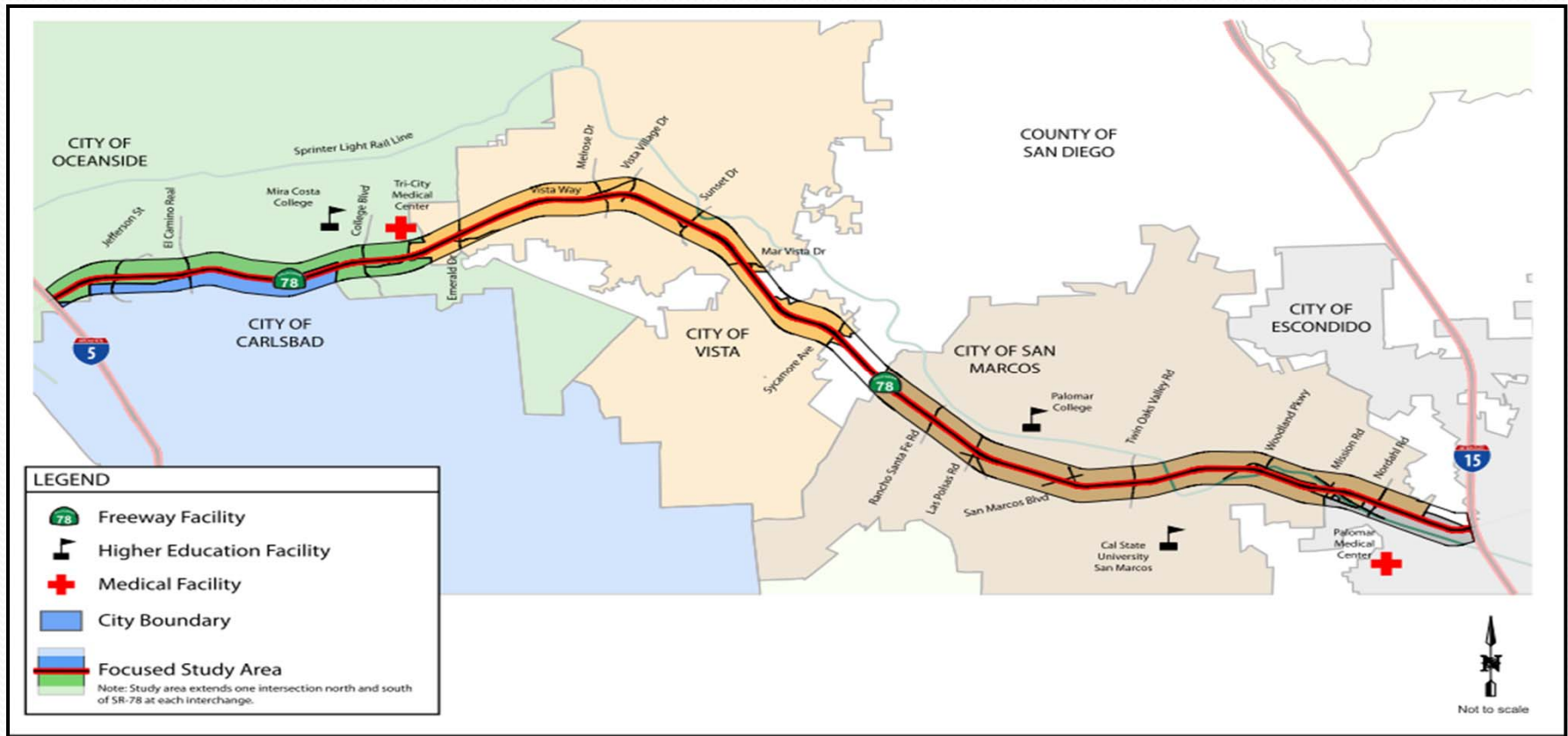


# Corridor Study Objectives

- Examine the feasibility of toll and other non-toll alternatives to address current and future travel demand
- Estimate revenues that could be collected through user fees on new toll lanes



# SR 78 Corridor Study Area



# 2050 Regional Transportation Plan

- Addition of two Express Lanes (one eastbound, one westbound)
- Operational improvements to SR 78
- I-15/SR 78 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) connectors
- I-5/SR 78 HOV and freeway connectors



# Alternatives Evaluated

- Alternative 1
  - Express Lanes
    - Carpools and transit access the lanes for free
    - Excess capacity would be sold to solo drivers
- Alternative 2
  - Toll Lanes
    - All drivers pay for access (except transit vehicles)
- Both alternatives include auxiliary lane, transit, and connector improvements consistent with 2050 RTP
- Travel demand analyzed for 2020, 2035, and 2050



# Preliminary Toll Financial Analysis – Findings

- Range of pricing strategies examined
- Revenues could be utilized to fill state or federal funding gaps

# Preliminary Highway Geometrics and Cost Estimate

- High level planning analysis
- Addition of one Express or Toll Lane in each direction and auxiliary lanes
- Standard Caltrans cross-section
- Cost range \$917 million to \$1.1 billion
- Cost and design will be refined during project development process

# Public Outreach

- Community Outreach Meetings from 5 to 7 p.m.
  - March 14, 2012, City of San Marcos City Hall – Valley of Discovery Room
  - March 15, 2012, Oceanside – El Corazon Senior Center
- Information about the study and an online comment tool: [www.sandag.org/sr78study](http://www.sandag.org/sr78study)

## Next Steps

- Compilation of Public Comments
- Implementation Strategy
- Final Report
- Study completion anticipated in May 2012
- Study results will be presented to SANDAG Transportation Committee and Board of Directors
- Final Study will be available on SANDAG website

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