



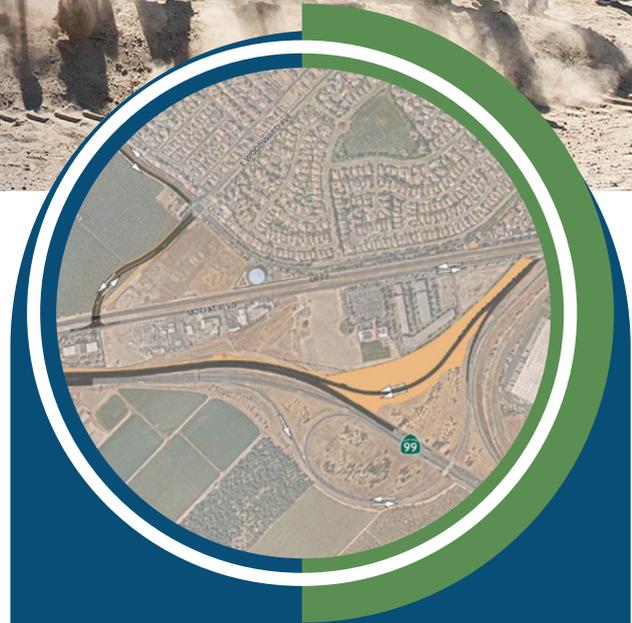
SR 99/120 Connector CHRONICLES

Austin Rd bridge removed

Work on the highway-to-highway State Route 99/120 Connector Project included demolishing the 1950s-era Austin Road overcrossing over State Route 99. That work started in mid-February 2025 (photo, bottom right).

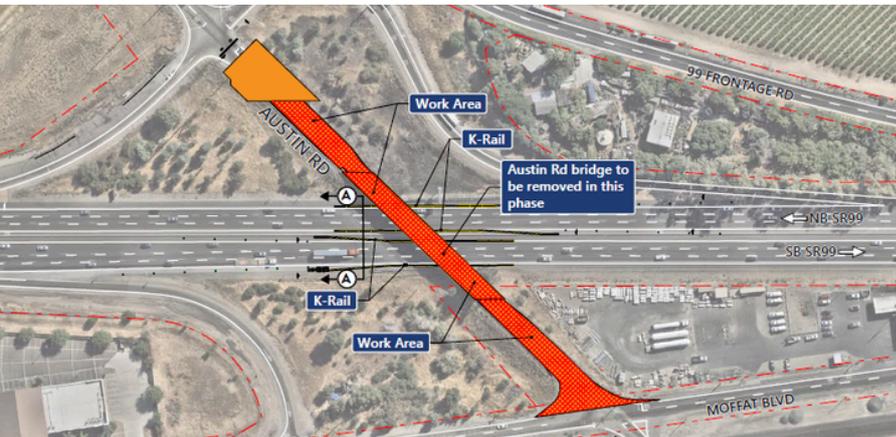
Nighttime lane and full freeway closures for northbound and southbound SR 99 were needed to maintain safety during the demolition. K-rail barriers were installed near the bridge supports and median column for added protection. Three lanes in each direction will remain open when closures are not needed.

The overcrossing in time will be replaced with a new four-lane bridge with bike lanes (diagram below). This phase will also require some lane and full closures to ensure the safety of both the public and the construction crews.



Who benefits?

The project will benefit everyone living, working and traveling in San Joaquin County as it improves safety, eases traffic congestion, enhances mobility and goods movement, and reduces greenhouse gas emissions for better air quality.



SR 99/120 work ramping up

Construction on the highway-to-highway State Route 99/120 Connector Project started in late summer 2024 and will go on for about two years. SJCOG's contractor, Teichert Construction, has made significant improvements to local surface streets and work on the freeway has ramped up in recent months.

K-rail barriers have been installed on the westbound SR 120 connector to southbound SR 99, allowing crews to work safely without disrupting traffic.

Project work may change without notice due to weather and other conditions. SJCOG and project partners appreciate the public's patience during work on the State Route 99/120 Connector project.

Work on the first phase of the project is expected to be completed by spring 2026.

Sign up for project updates

The San Joaquin Council of Governments, the lead agency on the highway-to-highway State Route 99/120 Connector Project, wants you to stay connected during the construction work by signing up for project updates via email and text. Be the first to hear about travel advisories! Visit our website www.sr99-120connector.com to sign up for updates. Have a question for us? Ask away! Call us at 209-209-4690 or email us at 99-120connector@sjcog.org. And follow us on social media!



SJCOG breaks ground on vital highway improvements

The San Joaquin Council of Governments (SJCOG) broke ground on the highway-to-highway State Route 99/120 Connector Project in mid-July 2024 (photo above) to make crucial improvements to the regional transportation hub.

SJCOG is leading the construction project while coordinating with Caltrans, City of Manteca, Union Pacific Railroad and other partners. This project is important because it is a vital transportation hub that is crucial for moving people and goods throughout the Northern California Megaregion.

Funding for the project comes from a combination of sources, including Measure K, the half-cent sales tax managed by SJCOG for transportation improvements in San Joaquin County, State Bill 1, the State Transportation Improvement Program, Caltrans' State Highway Operation and Protection Program, federal COVID-19 relief money, and federal Highway Infrastructure Program funds.

Video of the project's first phase



Click on the image to see the animated flyover video of the first phase of the project.