**PROJECT INFORMATION**

**PROJECT BACKGROUND & DESCRIPTION**

The Rio Linda Boulevard Bridge Replacement & Main Avenue Realignment Project is located near the intersection of Rio Linda Boulevard and Main Avenue in the City’s Robla Park neighborhood. The project will construct a new bridge to replace the existing structurally deficient bridge. Magpie Creek and Main Avenue will both be realigned to the south. The intersection will be widened to accommodate dedicated turn pockets and Main Avenue will intersect perpendicularly to Rio Linda Boulevard.

Updated project information and exhibits can be found here.

**PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS & BENEFITS**

The exhibit below provides a high-level view of the proposed project improvements. These include:

- New bridge over Magpie Creek with standard bike lanes and sidewalk
- New signalized intersection of Main Avenue and Rio Linda Boulevard with crosswalks, dedicated bike lanes, and right/left turn lanes will provide improved safety and traffic operations
- New curb, gutter, and sidewalk will create safer pedestrian spaces and waiting areas for transit
- New bus stops will be constructed with pull outs to improve traffic impacts
- Main Avenue and Magpie Creek will both be realigned to provide a perpendicular intersection with Rio Linda Boulevard
- New tree planting of creek alignment and bridge area to replace trees removed prior to construction
- Raised roadway profile to meet creek and bridge hydraulic requirements
- Additional turn lanes to provide increased capacity at the intersection and improve intersection operations
- The existing Norther Sacramento Bike Trail will be realigned to utilize the new bridge. The existing bike trail bridge will be removed with the project
WHAT RESIDENTS CAN EXPECT

The construction effort on this project is expected to take two full construction seasons. Utility relocations are already underway on site in preparation for construction. The City has not yet received a detailed schedule from the contractor, but residents can generally expect the following:

- Both underground and overhead utility relocations will be ongoing until approximately June 2019
- Starting in June 2019 the City contractor Viking Construction will mobilize on the site to begin contract work
- The first stage of work will be performed east of Rio Linda Boulevard and traffic will remain as it currently exists on Rio Linda Boulevard
- After the first stage of work is complete traffic will be shifted onto new bridge east of existing Rio Linda Boulevard and work will commence within the existing road alignment
- The intersection of Main Avenue/Rio Linda Boulevard will continue to operate as a 3-way stop controlled intersection throughout construction
- Installation and activation of the new traffic signal will not occur until near the end of the construction effort. This is anticipated for late 2020
- With the realignment of the creek and Main Avenue, as well as the increased roadway elevation, residents will see a significant amount of earthwork and changes to site grading

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Will I still be able to drive down Main Avenue and Rio Linda Boulevard?
  Yes, the project will maintain traffic on both of these roads for the duration of the project. Short term isolated closures may occur for cut over work or crane operations, but these will be timed to minimize impact on the traveling public.

- Will I still have access to my property/business?
  Yes, the contractor is required to maintain access to all parcels at all times. For parcels with a single driveway that is being reconstructed with this project, the contractor will either construct the driveway one-half at a time or coordinate with the owner/resident to facilitate the construction with minimum impact.

- Will the businesses in the project area remain open?
  Yes, Bing’s Market and all the businesses north of Main Avenue will remain open throughout construction.

NORTHERN SACRAMENTO BIKE TRAIL DETOUR

The construction of the new bridge will include realignment of the Northern Sacramento Bike Trail and removal of the existing bike trail bridge. This will require bike and pedestrian traffic using the trail to be detoured onto Rio Linda Boulevard. The City is still working on the detour plans with the contractor however, residents can expect a protected detour onto Rio Linda Boulevard to be in place for several months while the project is constructed. The detour will be at a reduced width but will be signed appropriately to warn oncoming cyclists and pedestrians. The City of Sacramento appreciates the importance of our bike trail network and the understanding of the bike and pedestrian community for this necessary detour.