

# **SR-57 Northbound** Widening Project Orangethorpe Avenue to Lambert Road **Fast Facts**

## Improving Travel on the Orange Freeway (SR-57)





#### **Project Description**

The Orange Freeway (SR-57) is an important truck route and an integral part of Southern California's freeway network. Currently, drivers experience substantial traffic congestion during peak afternoon hours. In an effort to improve traffic flow, the **Orange County Transportation Authority** (OCTA), in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 12, is added a general purpose lane to the northbound SR-57 from north of the SR-91 near Orangethorpe Avenue in Placentia to Lambert Road in Brea. Construction on this segment began January 2011 and completed Summer 2014.

#### Project Improvements

Improvements to this five-mile stretch include a the addition of one general purpose lane along with merging lanes and reconfiguration of certain on-ramps and off-ramps. Existing lanes and shoulders were widened to conform with Caltrans design standards. Relocation of some existing soundwalls and construction of new soundwalls also occured within the project corridor.

#### **Key Objectives**

- Reduce traffic congestion and delays
- Increase traffic flow and safety for the 144,000 to 158,000 vehicles projected to travel this section of the freeway daily
- Facilitate the flow of goods and services via SR-57
- Achieve a major component of the Measure M2 Freeway Improvement Plan
- Conform to state, regional and local plans and policies

#### Other SR-57 Improvements

A second segment of the SR-57 from Katella Avenue to Lincoln Avenue in Anaheim also is undergoing widening improvements. Construction on this second segment began in January 2012.

#### Stay Connected

For more information, visit the project website at www.octa.net/sr57 or contact Fernando Chavarria of OCTA at (714) 560-5306 or by email at fchavarria@octa.net or contact the Construction Helpline at (800) 724-0353.









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### **Anticipated Timeline**

Project Approval	December 2007
Design Completed	December 2009
Construction Began	January 2011
Freeway Improvements Open to the Public	Summer 2014

#### **Funding Source**

The estimated total cost of the project is \$104.3 million. Project funding sources are (CMIA) Program funds and Orange County Measure M2—the half-cent sales approved by Orange County voters in 2006.



