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Dear Resident:

On behalf of the Caltrans Interstate 805 (I-805) South Project team, I would like to thank you for attending the meeting on June 23, 2011 at the Boys and Girls Club of Chula Vista to discuss the proposed East Palomar Street Transit Station and Park & Ride.

This project is part of the larger I-805 South Project, which includes freeway and transit improvements on I-805 from East Palomar Street in Chula Vista to Interstate 15 (I-15). The project will improve traffic flow on the freeway to help alleviate congestion and accommodate the projected population and employment growth in the region.

This project will include several improvements to the freeway and transit system including:

- A Direct Access Ramp (DAR) at East Palomar Street;
- In-Line Transit Stations on Plaza Boulevard and H Street;
- Park & Ride stations near the In-Line Transit Stations; and
- More than 70 sound-mitigating walls, 100 retaining walls and 20 bridge improvements along the 11-mile route.

The Transit Station and Park & Ride proposed for the northeast corner of East Palomar Street and I-805 in Chula Vista, will provide travelers with convenient access to a planned Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) system and transit options. The project also includes the addition of a DAR at East Palomar Street that will connect surface streets directly to new Express Lanes on the highway serving carpools, FasTrak® and transit. Construction of this facility, which is part of the I-805 South Project's first phase, will begin in 2012 and be operational by the end of 2014.

As discussed during the meeting, the I-805 South Project team has made the community's safety, as well as that of the station's users a top priority. That is why the East Palomar Street Transit Station and Park & Ride will include features such as 24-hour security camera surveillance and signs; an open site plan to promote full fields of visibility; lighting throughout the site; and graffiti-minimizing bus shelters and softscape. We are also committed to ongoing security coordination between Caltrans, the San Diego Metropolitan Transit System, Chula Vista Police Department, the City of Chula Vista and the community.

We will continue to keep you updated as we finish the design and move toward construction of the East Palomar Street Transit Station and Park & Ride. In the meantime, if you have additional questions about the station or the I-805 South Project, please call me at (619) 688-2516.

Thank you again for taking the time to attend the meeting. We look forward discussing this project with you further.

Sincerely,
RAMON M. MARTINEZ
I-805 South Project Manager