

# **I-15 TROPICANA**

#### **PROJECT BACKGROUND**

- The intersection of Interstate 15 (I-15) and Tropicana Avenue serves as one of the main gateways to the resort corridor and provides an essential connection for some of the Las Vegas Valley's largest employment centers
- Projected increases in vehicular traffic are expected to worsen traffic congestion in coming years and has prompted the need for substantial improvements to the interchange.
- The Nevada Department of Transportation (NDOT) conducted a feasibility study, which was completed in December 2015, and identified a recommended alternative for future interchange reconstruction.
- The recommended alternative is now being further evaluated to comply with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969. The NEPA process is intended to help agencies make decisions that consider environmental consequences and avoid, minimize, or mitigate environmental impacts.
- The Southern Nevada High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Study Update was recently reevaluated, and it recommended including HOV ramps to and from the south of the I-15/Harmon Avenue overpass with this project.

#### **RECOMMENDED ALTERNATIVE**

- The alternative for future interchange reconstruction includes a diamond on- and off-ramp configuration with a flyover at Tropicana Avenue.
- Addition of HOV ramps approximately a 1/2-mile north of the Tropicana Avenue interchange at the Harmon Avenue overpass.



#### **PROJECT GOALS**

- Improve the operation and capacity of the I-15/Tropicana Avenue interchange
- Increase safety for vehicles, pedestrians, and transit users and operators
- Improve access to Tropicana Avenue and the Las Vegas Strip
- Provide nearby multi-modal freeway ingress and egress
- Be compatible with existing transportation plans
- Minimize need for additional right-of-way
- Avoid, minimize, or mitigate environmental impacts

## **PROJECT TIMELINE**



### **NEXT STEPS**

- Refine and develop the recommended alternative and conduct technical studies
- Prepare NEPA compliance documentation
- Continue to meet and update affected stakeholders
- Continue to update the public and solicit input

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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