

I-80 Winnemucca Interchanges

Facts & Figures

Overview

The Community Gateways to Winnemucca reflect the I-80 corridor history through a western heritage theme. The theme highlights past and present-day culture in relation to the California Trail and Highway of the West leading to the multitude of different cultures that settled the area including ranchers/farmers, prospectors, merchants, fur trappers, Native American, Basque and Chinese cultures.

Environmental Benefits

Seed mix includes milkweed and a variety of wildflowers helping pollinators. Interchange areas were treated for noxious weeds and subsequently seeded and planted with grasses, forbs and wildflowers to provide erosion control, pollinator benefits, and seasonal visual interest. Native and adapted planting of non-irrigated trees, shrubs and grasses provide plant diversity, decrease water run off and increase rainwater infiltration to landscape areas. Water quality basins were constructed at Melarkey Street in the Humboldt River watershed to treat water runoff water prior to discharge into the River. Installation of rockery wall, decorative rock and plants reduces erosion issues on embankment slopes.

Construction Costs

\$2M L&A cost, \$2.1M Stomwater, \$205,000 lighting improvements.

Year Completed

2020

(Plant establishment ends in 2022. Bronze decorative figure to be installed in 2021.)

