

Dear Board Members

I am totally surprised that although we are only one week away from October..which is the month during which the Final EIR for Scene Route 68 is scheduled to be published, there is no mention/discussion of the SR 68 Improvement Project on the September 25th 2024 Agenda.

You will recall that during the past several months there have been lots of discussions, proposals and plans set out, which challenged the layouts, capacities and factual claims, that are forming the basis of the associated highway and intersection designs. Indeed the availability of an alternative approach using AI Adaptive Signaling has also been reviewed culminating in May 2024, when the TAMC Board voted unanimously to “request Caltrans etc....”

Since , at this stage, there has been no indication to the TAMC Board, or public, of the specific publication date of the Final EIR, I can only assume that it is not as yet scheduled and is looking to be significantly later than planned.

I therefore urge the Board to request that Staff and Caltrans provide a comprehensive detailed report to the Board at the next TAMC Board Meeting. 23rd October 2024.

Some suggested key items to be presented.

1. Toro Park Cut Through

Status and outcome, including before and after traffic flow results .

Feedback and comments from residents and commuters.

Impact on downstream traffic flows toward San Benancio junction.

Learnings and Conclusion - including potential longer term trial alternatives.

2. Activities and status re: the pursuance of the implementation of an AI Adaptive Pilot Program

This should be with particular reference to the plans as set out by Todd Muck in his letter to Caltrans Director, Scott Eades 28th May 2024..extract below....

“I would like to establish a team to implement interim improvements that enhance operations using the existing traffic signal equipment to the greatest extent possible. I

would like the team to develop a scope of work and execute work towards the following objectives:

- Implement traffic signal coordination using the existing traffic signal equipment to improve traffic flow along the mainline corridor this summer.
- Identify and fund a pilot project to implement adaptive signal operations at each signalized intersection along the entire corridor.
- Collect traffic data to help guide sound decisions to determine the benefits and limitations of adaptive signal operations.
- Report results of signal optimization work that can be shared with the TAMC Board and the public.

We have discussed and agreed on most of these points at recent team meetings with your staff.

Your leadership helped us reach consensus to get to this point. I'm looking forward to working together to deliver both interim and permanent projects that benefit the traveling public on State Route 68"

3. Expected revised publication date for the Final EIR.

This should be communicated to Businesses and Public, together with an explanation why the delay. In addition, reference should be made some of the pilot programs that are being pursued to create near term improvements to flows during the period before any intersection roadworks/disruption would commence and also thus enabling more informed design decisions to be made.

I am trusting that at least some of you will take this to heart, and may even have additional items that you would like to see reviewed as part of such a Staff and Caltrans Report , and consequently request the Chair accordingly, to call for a Comprehensive Report.

As Always.. Thankyou for your time to listen to and read my inputs representing Pasadera Home Owners Association and the Owners of Concert Golf and Membership of The Club At Pasadera.

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