

State Route 99W Corridor Planning and Preliminary Design Study South County Stakeholder Working Group Meeting

August 11, 2025 | 11:00 AM | 1509 Schwab Street, Red Bluff

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Facilitator: Jessica Riske-Gomez
- Brief overview of meeting purpose and desired outcomes.

2. Project Updates– Corridor Study Progress

- Progress since last meeting
- Next steps

3. Stakeholder Round Robin

- Each participant provides updates, concerns, or input related to:
 - Community impacts
 - Technical considerations
 - Agency coordination needs
 - Opportunities for integration with other projects

4. Roster Review and Adjustments

- Confirm current Stakeholder Working Group roster
- Discuss any additions, removals, or changes in representation
- Confirm preferred contact details for all members

5. Next Steps and Action Items

- Assign tasks with deadlines
- Confirm date/time for next Stakeholder Working Group meeting
 - September 8, 2025

6. Adjourn

Current Stakeholder Working Group Roster

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Meeting Notes – South 99W Corridor / Gap Closure Project

Project Update:

The Gap Closure Project remains on hold due to funding issues, with minimal progress in the past two years. Ongoing discussions with engineering staff are exploring temporary solutions while long-term funding decisions are pending.

Scope and Definition:

The project extends from Solano to the county line. Visual clarity on project boundaries and scope is a priority to ensure all participants have a consistent understanding.

Funding Challenges:

The team discussed the need for significant additional funding, including the possibility of reallocating existing funds or securing new funding to conduct a broader environmental analysis. Questions remain regarding the eligibility and permissible uses of \$191,000 in repurposed/earmarked funds related to the 99W and I-5 interchange.

Timeline and Phases:

A potential two-phase approach was discussed:

- **Phase 1:** Temporary fixes to address immediate safety and operational needs.
- **Phase 2:** Capacity building and broader corridor improvements.

Timeline estimates will include environmental studies, design, and construction.

Environmental and Design Considerations:

NEPA and CEQA studies are required, and early initiation of environmental clearance is critical to maintaining project timelines and avoiding financial penalties. Starting with NEPA compliance was recommended to ensure full federal and state alignment.

Coordination with Neighboring Jurisdictions:

Collaboration with Glenn County is needed, as they are planning rehabilitation work on the same corridor. Coordination with local assistance and partner agencies will help ensure project compatibility and maximize funding opportunities.

Opportunities for Integration:

There was discussion of integrating historical elements and public art into the corridor project, including restoring historic sea markers and adding local monuments. Establishing a survey control network along Historic 99W was also proposed.

Next Steps:

The group will coordinate internally and with partner agencies, develop a visual schematic of the project scope, confirm funding eligibility, and continue project planning in preparation for the next meeting on **September 8**.

Follow-up Tasks

- **Project Scope Visualization:** Prepare a one-page schematic layout showing streets, project boundaries, and phases.
 - **Phasing & Timeline Clarification:** Add estimated time frames and major tasks to the schematic for discussion at the next meeting.
 - **Funding Source Review:** Determine eligibility and restrictions for the \$191,000 in repurposed/earmarked funds, including whether they can be used for environmental or CON.
 - **Finance Documentation:** Locate the original Gap Closure finance letter, purpose, and need statement.
 - **Environmental Studies Procurement:** Obtain quotes for NEPA and CEQA studies once the phasing plan is available.
 - **Interagency Coordination:** Engage with Glenn County and other partner agencies to align project boundaries and coordinate rehabilitation efforts.
 - **Programming & Compliance Check:** Invite programming/funding compliance representatives to the next meeting to review project integration with current efforts.
 - **Historic/Art Integration Review:** Develop concepts for incorporating historical elements and public art into the corridor design.
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Key Questions:

- What is the finalized timeline for the gap closure project and its funding?
- What specific rules govern the use of the \$191,000 in carryover funds?