

Memorandum

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Subject: Traffic Study for SR79 Realignment Project

This is to confirm that the existing traffic study in the Draft Project Report for the State Route 79 Realignment project in Riverside County is still valid.

The current traffic analysis was based on 2004 traffic counts. In 2009, the traffic analysis was updated. New counts were conducted and compared to the 2004 counts. It was determined that the 2004 counts were still appropriate to use as the basis for the traffic forecasts since the actual traffic growth in the study area from 2004 to 2009 was consistently less than the projected growth for the same period. Since 2009, the study area has experienced economic downturn and there has not been any significant, sustained economic improvement. It can be reasonably concluded that the traffic growth from 2009 to 2012 would still be less than the projected growth. Therefore, the current traffic analysis that was based on the 2004 counts would still be appropriate to use as basis for the traffic forecasts.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

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