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# *Route 85/87 Interchange Project*

## **Overview**

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This project completes the existing interchange in San Jose by adding two connector ramps:

- Southbound Route 85 to Northbound Route 87
- Southbound Route 87 to Northbound Route 85.

In addition, construction in the median of Route 87 between Route 85 and Branham Lane widens the paved area to accommodate future HOV (carpool) lanes on Route 87.

## **Project Objective**

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To complete the Route 85/87 interchange and to move freeway traffic off local streets.

## **Project Features**

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Both connecting ramps accommodate two lanes with full-width shoulders on both sides.

After the completion of the interchange, a follow-up highway planting project started along the project corridor. Currently underway, this project includes installing landscape planting and irrigation systems, erosion control work and ends with a three year planting establishment period through July 2007.

## **Operations**

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Caltrans operates and maintains the new highway interchange.

## **Capital Cost/ Project Funding**

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\$43.1 million: \$39.6 from 1996 Measure B local sales tax funding and \$3.5 from the State Traffic Congestion Relief Program (TCRP) funding.

The Route 85/87 Interchange Project was completed \$7 million under baseline cost estimate.

## **Project Schedule**

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Construction started: August 2001  
Connector ramps opened: June 2003

### *Highway Landscaping Project*

Construction started: December 2003  
Project completed: September 2004  
Three year planting establishment through September 2007

## **How to Reach Us**

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For more information on this project, please contact VTA Community Outreach (408) 321-7575, TDD for the hearing impaired (408) 321-2330. You may also visit us on the web at [www.vta.org](http://www.vta.org), or email us at [community.outreach@vta.org](mailto:community.outreach@vta.org).

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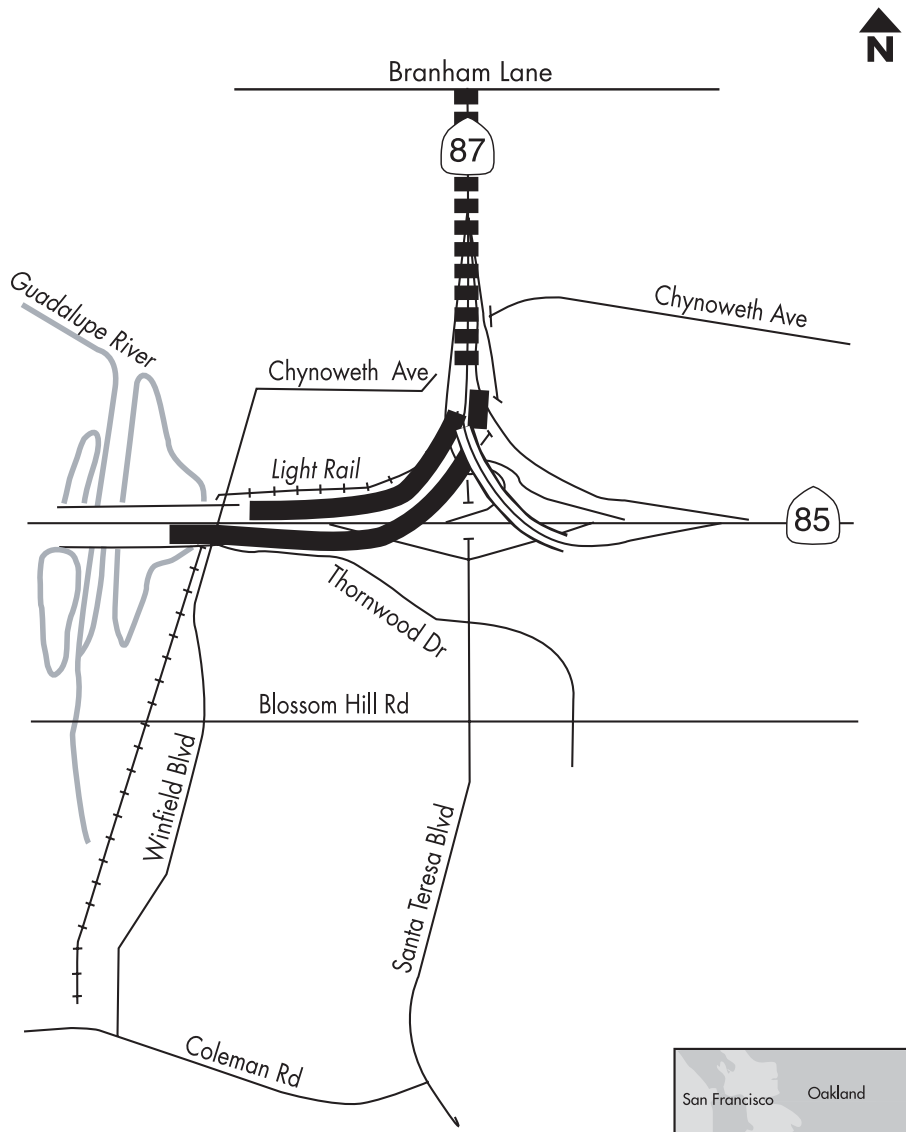
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Measure B  
Transportation Improvement Program  
County of Santa Clara



# Route 85/Route 87 Interchange Project



**LEGEND**

-  Added interchange ramps to complete interchange
-  Route 87 Improvements

Not to Scale

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