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Mission Warren Area Improvement Project breaks ground in Fremont

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FREMONT -- A \$151 million road project, intended to ease traffic congestion near the Warm Springs district's future BART station, broke ground Friday.

The Mission Warren Area Improvement Project will widen Mission Boulevard to six lanes between Warm Springs and Interstate 880, near the Fremont-Milpitas border.

The project also will add an onramp and offramp from Kato Road to Mission Boulevard and lower Warren Avenue to separate Warren from Union Pacific Railroad tracks and future BART tracks.

Five bridges will be constructed, including two for Union Pacific Railroad, two for BART and a maintenance bridge that will span Mission Boulevard and Warren Avenue.

The road improvements are part of BART Silicon Valley, a \$2.3 billion transportation project that will extend the BART system to Santa Clara County.

The project, scheduled for completion in early 2015, is a joint effort by the city of Fremont, Caltrans, the Alameda County Transportation Commission and the Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority.

"BART Silicon Valley and the Mission Warren area improvements are examples of our communities having vision and determination," said Congressman Michael Honda, D-Campbell.