

From: VTA Board Secretary

Sent: Tuesday, April 15, 2025 10:31 AM

To: VTA Board of Directors; VTA Advisory Committee Members

Subject: From VTA: Phase 1 into Phase 2 - Moving Forward!

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PROJECT UPDATE

Eastridge to BART



Regional Connector Project

Tuesday, April 15, 2025





Workers fix a crane and other equipment near Story Road while testing for pile driving. [Photo by VTA/EBRC LFP].

Greetings,

Construction of the Eastridge to BART Regional Connector (EBRC) continues as we complete Phase 1 and dive into Phase 2. Test and indicator piles are currently being driven in the median between Story Road and S. Capitol Avenue, and this will continue for a couple of weeks. Cast-in-drilled-hole (CIDH) piles will be used along S. Capitol Avenue for the bridge foundation.

All EBRC field teams continue pivoting and adapting to meet construction schedules while ensuring minimal disruptions to residents and businesses.

The speed limit throughout the EBRC Construction Zone is 35mph. Please see the “Anticipated Work” section below for details on the latest schedules.

Moving Forward!



The Construction and Engagement Team

BE OUR PARTNER IN SAFETY!



A crew of cement masons has been working on sidewalks and curbs on S. Capitol Avenue near Kollmar Drive and Sussex Drive. *[Photo by VTA/EBRC LFP].*

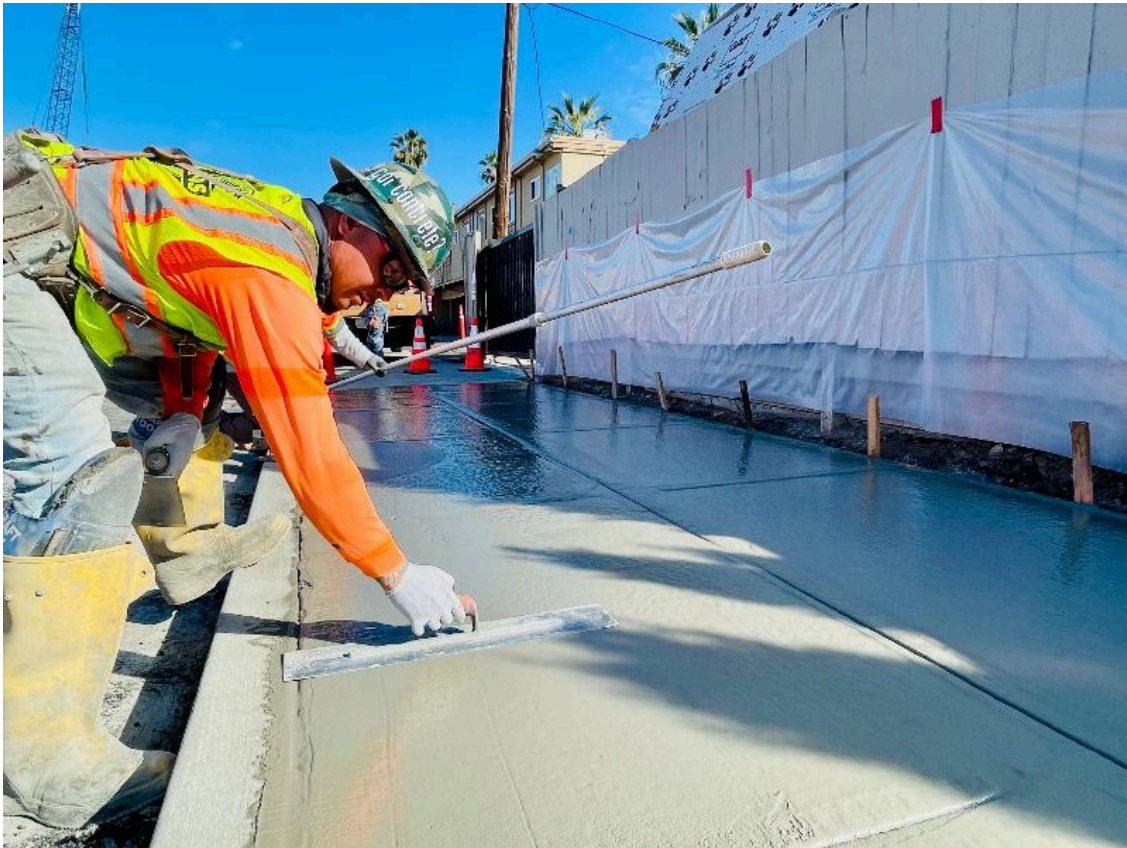
PROTECT YOURSELF, YOUR LOVED ONES, AND EBRC'S CONSTRUCTION WORKERS BY SLOWING DOWN.



Anticipated work through April 2025 - Partial List

****Construction activities can change at any time***

**** Follow detour signs***



A cement mason finishes the sidewalk surface on S. Capitol Avenue near Sussex Drive. [Photo by VTA/EBRC LFP].

Sunday, April 13 – *Currently underway*

ROAD CLOSURE | Northbound Capitol Expressway

Falsework removal began on Sunday night, April 13, on northbound Capitol Expressway from Ocala Avenue to Story Road. This work will resume on Wednesday night, April 16, through Wednesday morning, April 30. Expect overnight road closures with detours between 10:00 PM and 5:30 AM. ***Follow detour signs.***

Monday, April 14 – *Currently underway*

DRIVEWAYS, SIDEWALK, and CURB | Kollmar Drive

Last week, crews replaced 5 carport driveways that serve K&K Apartments, and this week they are replacing the remaining 5 driveways. Selected tenants are provided temporary parking on the VTA property located by S&S Market. Workers also are building sidewalks and curbs on S. Capitol Avenue near Kollmar Drive and Sussex Drive. Construction is anticipated to be completed by the end of April.

Tuesday, April 15 – *Currently underway*

Noise and Vibration | Median of Capitol Expressway

Crews will be driving test and indicator piles along the median of Capitol Expressway between Story Road and S. Capitol Avenue from Tuesday, April 15 through Thursday, April 24, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pile driving is conducted only during the day.

Wednesday, April 16 – Frames 32 and 33

ROAD CLOSURE | Southbound Capitol Expressway

Falsework installation will occur on southbound Capitol Expressway between Cunningham Avenue and Tully Road from Wednesday night, April 16 through Thursday morning, April 23, and again from Sunday night, April 27 through Friday morning, April 24. Expect overnight lane closures with detours between 10:00 PM and 5:30 AM during weekdays and from 10:00 PM to 9:00 AM on weekends. ***Follow detour signs.***

Sunday, April 20

ROAD CLOSURE | Northbound S. Capitol Avenue

Drainage work will occur overnight on northbound Capitol Expressway and northbound S. Capitol Avenue. Expect overnight road closures with detours between 10:00 PM and 5:30 AM from Sunday night, April 20 through Thursday morning, April 24. ***Follow detour signs.***

Monday, April 21

ROAD CLOSURE | Northbound Capitol Expressway

Night work on Southbound Capitol Expressway between Ocala Ave and Cunningham Avenue for rail electrical work, from Monday night, April 21, through Thursday morning, April 24. Work is performed from 10:00 PM until 5:30 AM on weekdays. ***Follow detour signs.***

ONGOING CONSTRUCTION ACTIVITIES

- **Pile driving** continues on the west side of Capitol Expressway between Tully Road and Eastridge Loop; and in the median near the Story Road intersection. Test pile driving began this week north of Story Road. Regular or test pile driving is conducted only during the day.
- **Concrete pouring** for the superstructure on Capitol Expressway continues in segments between Ocala Avenue and Story Road. Concrete pouring for sidewalks and related work continues on S. Capitol Avenue by the K&K Apartments.
- **The relocation of the BRT station** continues at the southwest corner of Capitol Expressway and Ocala Avenue, and it is expected to be completed later this Spring.

DAY AND NIGHT WORK SCHEDULES

Crews continue working day and night at different locations, from S. Capitol Avenue/Wilbur Avenue, where the project begins, to Capitol Expressway/Quimby Road, where the project ends.

- **Day crews** work Monday through Friday, from 7:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m.
- **Night crews** work from Sunday night through Friday morning, from 10:00 p.m. through 7:00 a.m.
- **Weekend** day and night crews work as needed.
- **Crew schedules and construction activities can change at any time.**

COMMUNITY OUTREACH



Volunteer with Our Friends in San Jose on April 19!

The Great American Litter Pickup is a San Jose city-wide event dedicated to keeping neighborhoods in San Jose clean and beautiful. The City of San Jose District 8 Councilmember Domingo Candelas' Office, in partnership with [Keep Santa Clara Valley Beautiful](#), will be hosting a clean-up at Lake Cunningham this year on **Saturday, April 19 from 9-11 a.m.** Litter gear and refreshments will be provided.

The Community Outreach Office is open Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and by appointment. Our address is 1091 S. Capitol Avenue (near Story Road) in San Jose. Staff is available week-long to respond to the concerns of residents, business owners, and the community at large.

CONTACT US:

Community Outreach Office
(408) 321-7575
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Community relations officers and other staff continue responding to residents' concerns, as well as coordinating activities with residents, homeowners, and business owners near the

project, and participating in community events with local schools and organizations.

The Community Outreach Office is open Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and by appointment. Our address is 1091 S. Capitol Avenue (near Story Road) in San Jose. **Please note** that this week the trailer office may not be easily accessible due to construction.

We encourage residents, business owners, and the community at large to contact us should they have issues or concerns related to this project. Staff is available week-long and by appointment.

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From: VTA Board Secretary
Sent: Thursday, April 17, 2025 7:57 PM
To: VTA Board of Directors
Subject: VTA Information: Upcoming Media Coverage of VTA

Board of Directors:

Please find attached two memos about upcoming media coverage of VTA.

Reply to this email with any questions you have about either memo.

Thank you,

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MEMORANDUM

TO: VTA Board of Directors

FROM: Patrice Smith 
Chief Communications Officer

DATE: April 17, 2025

SUBJECT: Upcoming Article on Twin Bore Cost report

San Jose Mercury News reporter Grace Hase is closely following BART Silicon Valley Phase II (BSVII). She routinely writes about the project and listens live or to the recordings of the BSVII Steering Committee meetings.

Ms. Hase inquired on Tuesday, April 15 about the status of the twin bore cost report for a story she is writing that will likely post in the next few days. She has reached out to us on this topic several times since last year. Ms. Hase posed four questions to which the BSVII team provided responses:

1. When is the cost estimate report expected to be made public?
2. In May 2024, VTA said that "we are planning to update the previous estimates of the cost, risks, and impacts of the twin-bore design. We will engage experts and expect the work to take three months, beginning in June 2024." Why has this work taken so much longer than anticipated?
3. If the twin bore cost estimate comes back significantly lower than the current single bore plan, will VTA consider changing course given the need to cut costs?
4. There have been concerns raised by some transit advocates that the cost estimate won't be an independent one and will instead have confirmation bias of the single bore design being the cheaper option -- what is your response to that criticism?

Should you receive any media inquiries on this topic, please direct them to Media.Relations@VTA.org or 408-464-7810 (no texts).

Thank you.

MEMORANDUM

TO: VTA Board of Directors

FROM: Patrice Smith 
Chief Communications Officer

DATE: April 17, 2025

SUBJECT: Court Appearance for Chaboya Incident Suspect

Please be aware that Duc Minh Bui, former VTA employee and shooting suspect in an incident at the Chaboya Division on September 20, 2024, returns to Santa Clara County Criminal Court on Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

I bring this matter to your attention as the media is following this story closely, covering each step in the legal process. Coverage of Mr. Bui's upcoming court appearance is expected. We will monitor media coverage and provide you with any stories in our daily news clips.

Should you receive any media inquiries regarding this matter, please direct them to Media.Relations@VTA.org or 408-464-7810 (no texts).

Thank you.