

Support Material – Board Comment

Mountain/Desert Policy Committee

December 12, 2025

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Location

Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District
14306 Park Avenue, Victorville, CA 92392

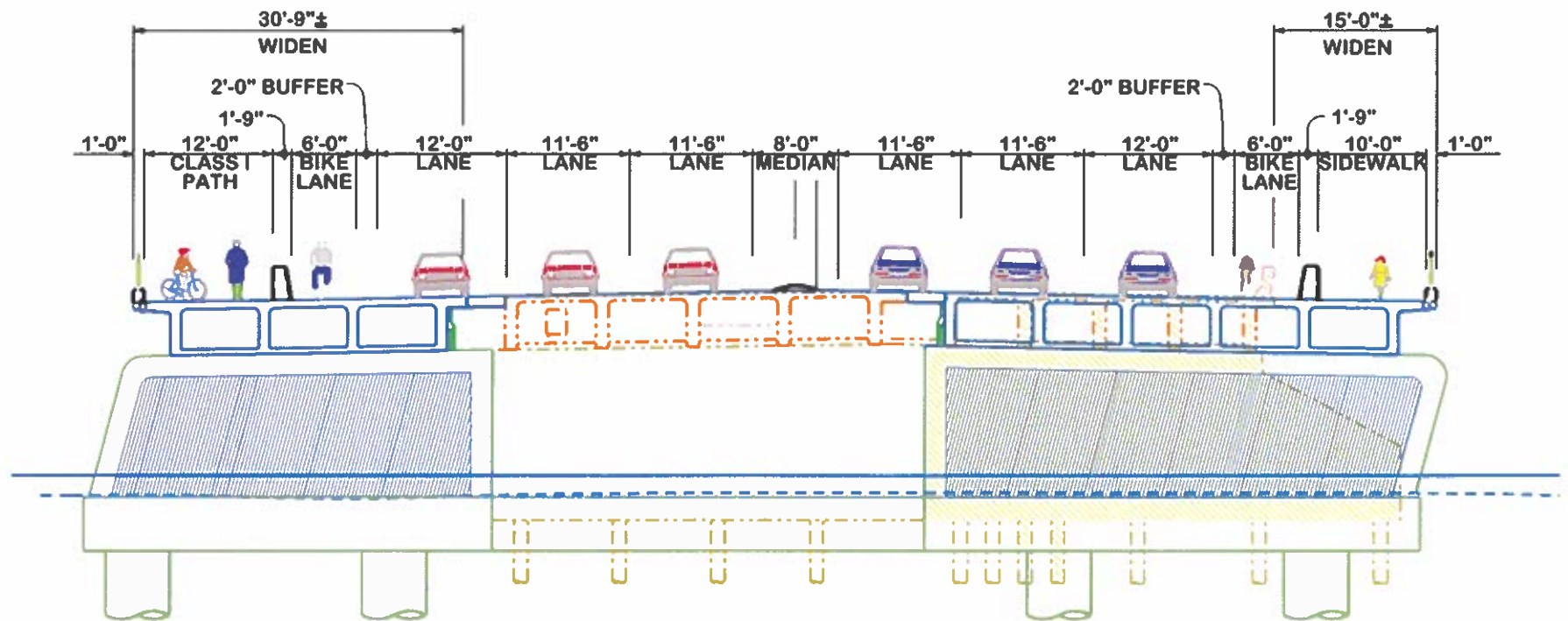
Comments from Board Members

Brief Comments from Board Members

Attached support material was received after the posting of the agenda.

BEAR VALLEY ROAD BRIDGE

over the Mojave River Rehabilitation Project



TYPICAL BRIDGE SECTION - LOOKING EASTBOUND

NOT TO SCALE

What's Being **PLANNED**

The Town of Apple Valley, in partnership with Caltrans, is improving the Bear Valley Road Bridge over the Mojave River.

The project includes:

- Widening the bridge to six lanes with a center median
- Adding bike lanes, a protected sidewalk (south side), and a protected multi-use path (north side)
- Improving roadways from Mojave Fish Hatchery Road to Jess Ranch Parkway

Other upgrades:

- Relocating Southern California Edison power lines
- Replacing a water line across the river
- Installing a drainage pipe on Outer Bear Valley Road
- Building a water-quality basin northwest of the bridge
- Adding southbound turn lanes at Bear Valley Road and Fish Hatchery Road

The bridge is located in Apple Valley, with the west approach in Hesperia and Victorville.

What to **EXPECT** During Construction

Residents and travelers may experience:

- Temporary lane closures and traffic shifts
- Utility shutoffs (announced by utility companies)
- Noise, dust, and construction activity during weekdays
- Occasional night work to reduce daytime impacts
- Pedestrian and vehicle detours as needed

Estimated **SCHEDULE**

- Construction begins: December 2025
- Water line replacement: February–March 2026
- Traffic shift south: Spring 2026
- Stormwater pipeline installation: Summer 2026
- Power line relocation and power shutoff: October 2026
- Traffic shift north: Spring 2027
- All lanes open: Spring 2028

Dates are estimates and may change once the contractor finalizes the schedule.

Estimated **COST & FUNDING**

Total estimated cost: \$53.5 million

(Funding includes construction, management, and engineering)

Funding sources:

- Federal Grants (Highway Bridge Program, Carbon Reduction Program): \$43.4 million
- San Bernardino County Flood Control (A.R.P.A.): \$540,000
- San Bernardino County Transportation Authority: \$3.8 million
- Active Transportation Program: \$232,000
- Town of Apple Valley and Cities of Victorville & Hesperia: \$4.8 million