## Soto Street Bridge Over Mission Road Bridge Removal and Improvement Project

City of Los Angeles



Department of Public Works Bureau of Engineering Bridge Improvement Program

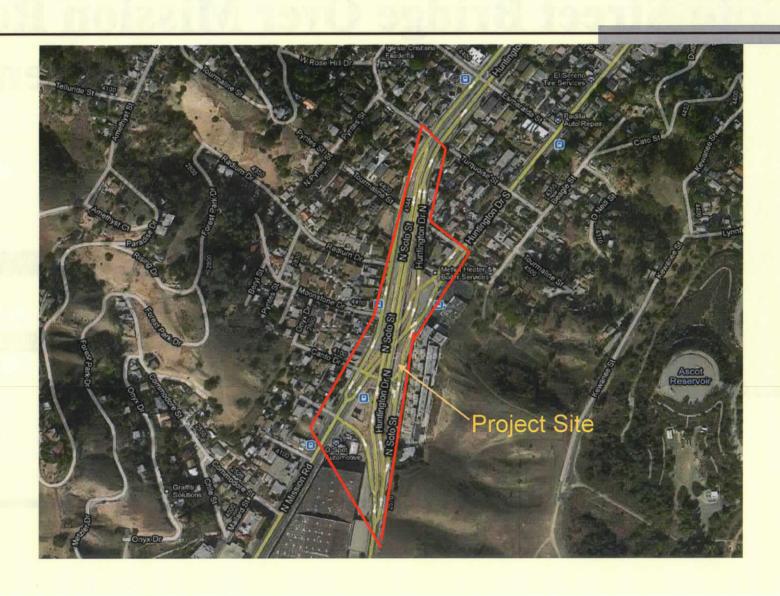


**COMMUNITY MEETING** 

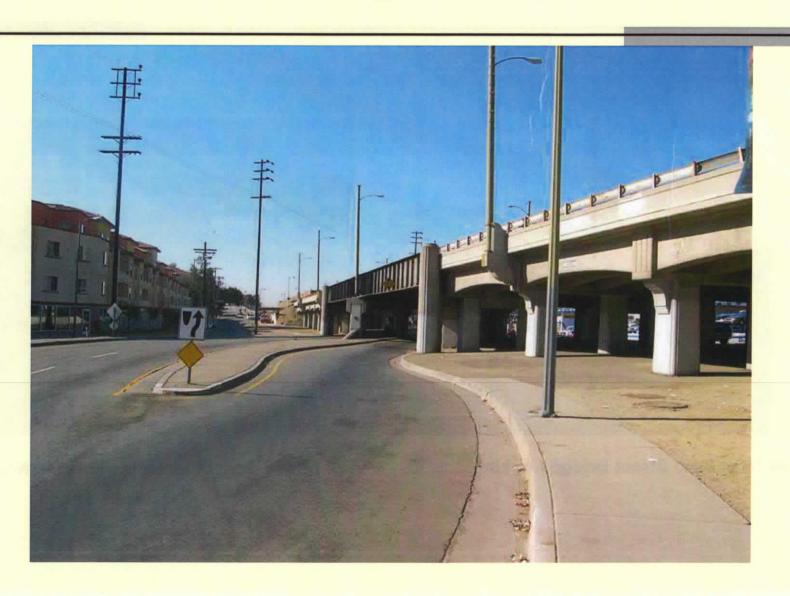
**February 6, 2012** 

**Rose Hills Recreation Center** 

# Project Site Location



# Soto Street Bridge



## Soto Street Bridge





View from Soto Street Bridge Looking South

View from Soto Street Bridge Looking North

#### Soto Street Bridge Background and History

- Soto Street Bridge constructed in 1936
- Joint Venture between City of Los Angeles and Pacific Railway Company to enhance public safety
- Grade separation for the Pasadena Short Line of the Pacific Railway System
- Railroad tracks removed in early 1960's and converted for automobile use
- Configuration single northbound lane and a single southbound lane
- Limited roadway width between existing bridge piers

#### Site Characteristics

- Located in Council District 14 and Rose Hill community area.
- Within Northeast Los Angeles Community Plan
- Designates Huntington Drive, Mission Road and Soto Street in the project area as routes for Class II bike lanes
- Surrounding topography is moderately sloping
- Commercial land uses and single-family residences
- Undeveloped hillside largely comprised of open space

#### Project Description

- Remove Soto Street Bridge
- Construct 2 new signalized intersections
  - Soto St and Mission Rd/Huntington Drive
  - Huntington Dr and Huntington Dr South/Radium Dr
- Construct dual new frontage roads with cul-de-sacs
- Provide green space, landscaping and tree planting

#### Objectives of Bridge Removal

- Remove existing functional obsolete bridge (Caltrans Bridge Inspection Report)
  - Inadequate vertical and horizontal clearances,
  - Insufficient curb-to-curb width
  - Substandard bridge railings
- Improve traffic flow and mobility in the region
- Increase traffic and pedestrian safety
  - Remove community barrier (the Bridge)
- Beautify the neighborhood by providing green space and landscaping

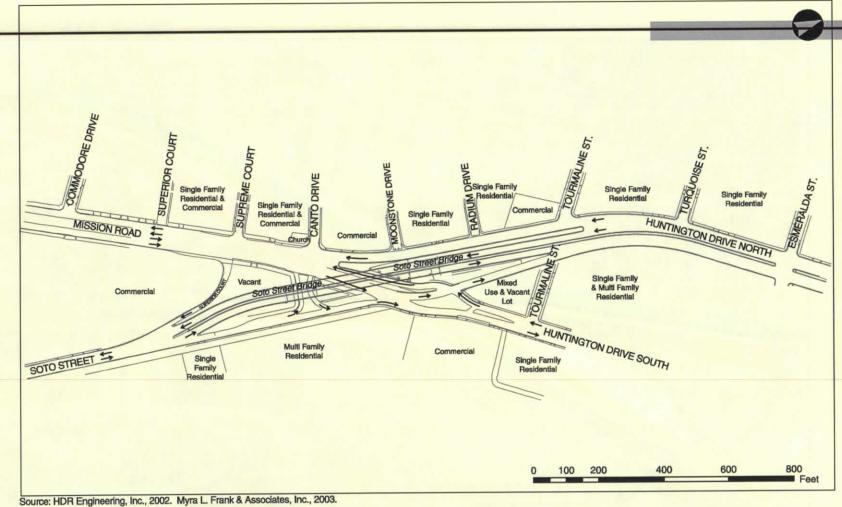
#### Project Benefits for Neighborhood Communities

- Substandard bridge removed from public use
- Improve traffic flow along Mission Road, Huntington Dr., and Soto St.
- Increase traffic and pedestrian safety
- Remove the barrier dividing the community
- Beautify the neighborhood by providing green space and landscaping

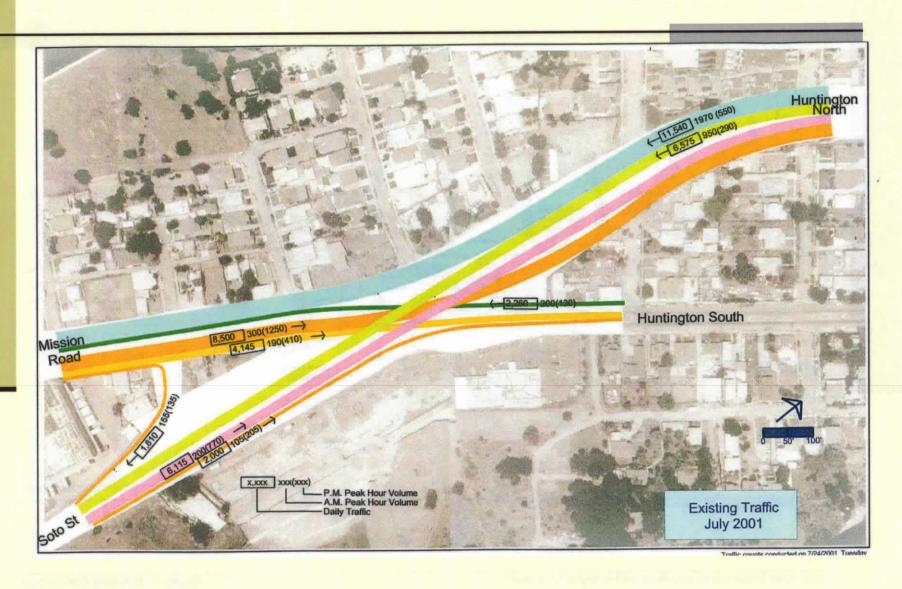
#### Project Funding

- Federal Highway Bridge Program (HBP) Grant
  - 80% HBP for Design
  - 88.53% HBP for Construction
- City Matching Funds Proposition G (Seismic Bond) and Proposition C
  - 20% City Match for Design
  - 11.47% City Match for Construction
- Metro (MTA) Grant
- Total Estimated Construction Cost is \$12.6 Million

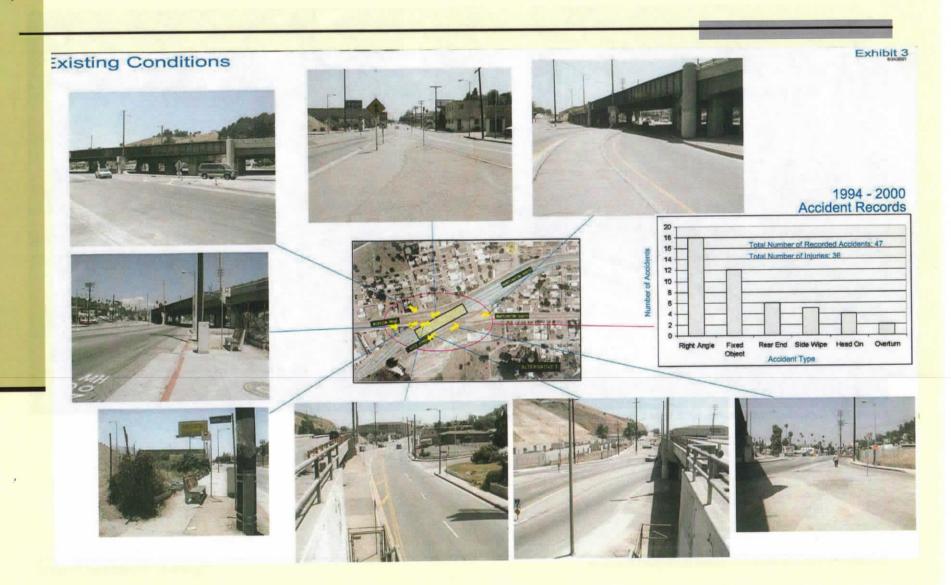
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## Existing Traffic Pattern



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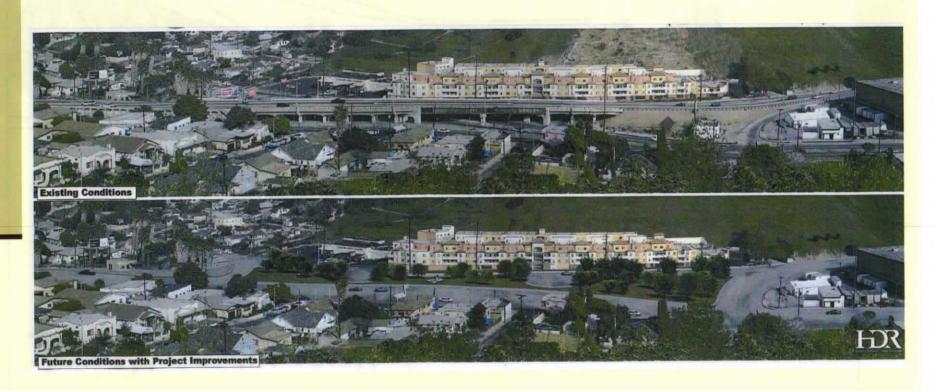
# Proposed Project



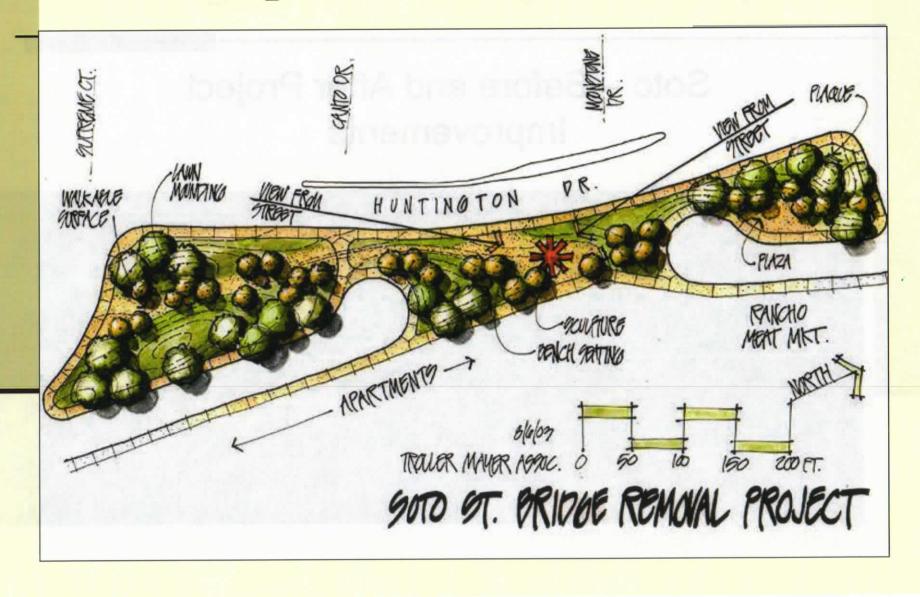
Source: ACT Consulting Engineers, Inc., 2002; Myra L. Frank & Associates, Inc., 2003.

#### Proposed Project Rendering

#### Soto – Before and After Project Improvements



#### Landscape



#### Estimated Completion Traffic Volume

Soto Street Bridge Removal Project Completion Year Traffic Volumes XXXX Average Daily Traffic Volumes xx (xx) AM (PM) Peak Hour Traffic Volumes

#### Estimated Project Schedule

- Environmental
  - California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Negative Declaration Adopted by City Council on December 4, 2004
  - National Environmental Quality Act (NEPA) Categorical Exemption Approved on Feb. 25, 2003
- Design December 2011
- Right-of-Way June 2012
- Begin Construction December 2012
- End Construction December 2014

#### Traffic Control

- 3-stage traffic control per LADOT will be implemented during construction
- At least one traffic lane in each direction will be maintained at all times

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#### Questions & Comments

Thank you for your participation.