



RE-ENVISIONING DOYLE DRIVE



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Work Begins on Final Phase of Presidio Parkway Project

SAN FRANCISCO – Caltrans, the San Francisco County Transportation Authority, House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi, and Federal Highway Administrator Victor Mendez today celebrated the start of construction on the final stage (Phase II) of the Presidio Parkway, which is replacing 76-year-old Doyle Drive with a world-class design that will improve the seismic, structural and traffic safety of the roadway. The new Presidio Parkway will open up historic views of the San Francisco Bay, support rehabilitation of endangered tidal marshlands, and improve pedestrian networks throughout the Presidio of San Francisco.

Phase II will be the first transportation project in California to be delivered through a public-private partnership (P3) under the authority of Senate Bill X2 4.

“This world-class project will not only improve earthquake safety, it will also support jobs and preserve the natural, cultural, and recreational resources of the Presidio,” said Caltrans Director Malcolm Dougherty.

“San Francisco’s Presidio Parkway represents so much of what makes our city great: innovative thinking, respect for our natural resources, and beneficial partnerships between the public and private sectors,” said Leader Nancy Pelosi. “Today’s celebration marks another milestone in our fight to ensure the infrastructure necessary to create jobs and spur the economy so that our people, goods and ideas can be transported across the bay and around the world safely and quickly.”

Under the P3 agreement, the developer, Golden Link Concessionaire, LLC, is required to design and build the second phase and be responsible for maintenance and operation of the roadway for 30 years.

The final phase includes a new High Viaduct and Battery Tunnel, the Main Post Tunnels, and the Girard Road interchange. Work is expected to continue through 2016. The total cost of Phases I and II is \$1.4 billion over the next 30 years, including over \$130 million from the Recovery Act.

“This project will provide immediate benefits by putting people to work now,” said Federal Highway Administrator Victor Mendez. “Not only will this new parkway provide a safer highway for drivers, but it will also help support the Bay Area economy for decades to come.”

The project is a partnership between Caltrans, San Francisco County Transportation Authority, Presidio Trust, National Park Service, California Department of Veterans Affairs, the Golden Gate Bridge Highway Transportation District, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, Marin and Sonoma counties, and the Federal Highway Administration.

"This groundbreaking marks the beginning of the final construction phase of the Presidio Parkway and of our efforts to replace the aging Doyle Drive with a seismically safe and beautifully designed parkway," said José Luis Moscovich, Executive Director of the San Francisco County Transportation Authority.

"Congratulations to Caltrans, our staff and consultants, as well as Golden Link Concessionaire, for their hard work and diligence. Beyond this one important project, however, success of California's first public-private partnership goes a long way to ensuring that this efficient and economical form of project delivery remains available for other major infrastructure projects within the state."

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