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The Unread Billion Dollar Report

How to actually solve our Congestion



VTA Southern Gateway Transportation and Land Use Study

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Approximately 18 years ago Santa Clara's VTA did an engineering study on alternative for highways in San Benito and Santa Clara County. The San Benito County Farm Bureau provided one of the proposals studied by Caltrans/VTA in which it was suggested a combined highway could handle the major traffic issues facing the region. Interestingly enough, the proposal actually was the best of the alternatives. More importantly, cost a \$Billion less and reduced significant land takings.

Never heard of it? Don't feel bad, neither has the current Caltrans District 5 staff. You know, the guys/gals with the \$12 million 784' project.

At this point there is no collaboration between the agencies trying to build the roads in North San Benito/Southern Santa Clara County. The result is that the traffic mess of trying to get to Hollister or to Central Valley will not get any better. However, \$400 million will have been wasted.

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