Social Environment



# Environmental Justice (F 1)

The 1994 Presidential Executive Order 12898 directed every Federal agency to make environmental justice part of its mission by identifying and addressing the effects of all programs, policies, and activities on "minority populations and low-income populations."

### ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES

No-Action         General Purpose Lanes           No effects to minority or low-income populations         (effects described relative to the Wolhurst Community)           Santa Fe interchange encroaches on existing noise wall along southern border           Right of way acquisition           Higher noise levels           Improved operation at intersections adjacent to community           Change in visual character due to retaining wall/flyover structure           These effects are not disproportionately high and adverse	Tolled Express Lanes (Preferred Alternative)         (effects described relative to the Wolhurst Community)         Santa Fe interchange encroaches on existing noise wall along southern border         Right of way acquisition         Higher noise levels         Improved operation at intersections adjacent to community         Change in visual character due to retaining wall/flyover structure         These effects are not disproportionately high and adverse	<ul> <li>Replacement noise barrier at Santa Fe</li> <li>Retaining or noise wall along flyover ramp north of Wolhurst Drive with added aesthetic treatments</li> <li>Landscaping elements and median added to community entrance with input from community</li> <li>Additional community involvement opportunities for Wolhurst residents during final design</li> </ul>
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These resources refer to schools, residential neighborhoods, public safety and emergency services.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES

#### No-Action

- Increased congestion may shift population growth outside project area
- New community facilities may follow new growth outside project area
- Congestion may increase emergency vehicle response times

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General Purpose Lanes

- Development opportunities may arise more quickly with less congestion
   Improved travel times to/from community facilities and work destinations
- Improved emergency vehicle response times

## Tolled Express Lanes (Preferred Alternative)

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MITIGATION

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- Improved emergency vehicle response times

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None required

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The economic analysis pertains to income and earnings data, labor force, and the purchasing power of the population.

## ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES

#### No-Action

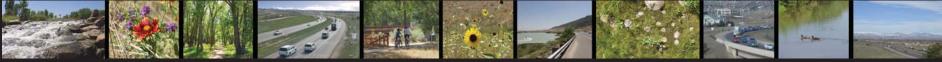
- Increased travel time cost due to congestion
- Changes to business and residential location decisions due to congestion

#### General Purpose Lanes

- Temporary increase in construction employment
- Construction material purchases beneficial to local economy
- Decreased economic cost of congestion
- Improved retail health from less congestion

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