



Memorandum

TO: Steering Committee Members

FROM: Winston Rhodes, AICP, Planning Manager

SUBJECT: Draft Traffic and Circulation Background Report

DATE: October 13, 2009

Attached is a draft background report on traffic and circulation for review and discussion prior to completion of the Circulation Element. This report is intended to provide information about existing transportation conditions and the role of outside agencies that influence transportation issues in Pinole. This document also provides a context to consider transportation changes including the potential narrowing of San Pablo Avenue from four travel lanes to two travel lanes.

To provide further background information on the subject of transportation, attached is a copy of the 2009 West County Action Plan for Routes of Regional Significance adopted on July 31, 2009 by the West Contra Costa Transportation Advisory Committee (WCCTAC). Please note pages 23, 26, and 32 which provide corridor action plans for Interstate 80, San Pablo Avenue, and Appian Way that run through Pinole. The monitoring and General Plan Amendment (GPA) Review Process (pages 40-42) is also important because it describes requirements that apply to the City of Pinole during environmental review and when reviewing General Plan Amendments.

This background report and the 2009 West County Action Plan will be used to complete the Circulation Element that will be drafted and discussed by the Steering Committee later this year after Circulation Subcommittee review. Staff and PMC are requesting feedback on the background report to assist with the preparation of the Circulation Element and help formulate a preferred circulation alternative and range of alternatives for study in the General Plan Update Environmental Impact Report.

Attachments:

- A. Draft Traffic and Circulation Background Report, September 2009
- B. WCCTAC 2009 West County Action Plan, July 31, 2009