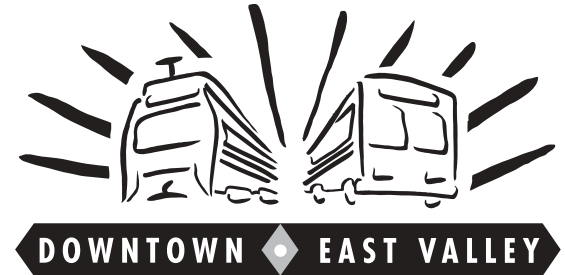


## Capitol Expressway Light Rail Project



### Overview

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The Capitol Expressway Light Rail Project is one segment of the larger Downtown East Valley Transit Improvement Plan. This project will extend 8.2 miles from the end of the Capitol Light Rail Project (currently under construction) at the planned Alum Rock Station to the Eastridge Transit Center at Eastridge Mall and will continue to the existing Santa Teresa to Baypointe Light Rail Line (Guadalupe Corridor) at Highway 87 in San Jose. The project will operate primarily in the median of Capitol Expressway. Light rail will provide fast and effective service with convenient connections to other transit services while providing access to neighborhoods, jobs and retail. The Capitol Expressway Light Rail Project will add nine new light rail stations with one optional station. Other elements include new and expanded park and ride facilities, grade separations at heavily congested intersections, urban design elements (such as landscaping and lighting) to enhance the corridor and facilitate bicycle and pedestrian access, and relocation of the Capitol Caltrain Station on Monterey Highway to provide an easy connection to light rail services on Capitol Expressway.

### Project Features

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**Length:** 8.2 miles

**Stations:** Story Road, Ocala/Cunningham Avenue vicinity, Eastridge Transit Center, Nieman Boulevard, Silver Creek Road (future option), McLaughlin Avenue, Senter Road, Monterey Highway, Vistapark Drive, and Highway 87.

#### **Park & Ride Facilities:**

The Park & Ride lot at the Alum Rock Station on the Capitol LRT extension (under construction) and the existing Park & Ride lot at the Capitol Station on the Guadalupe LRT line will serve the Capitol Expressway LRT. In addition, the following are proposed:

- Ocala Avenue (new facility if the Ocala Avenue Station location is selected)
- Eastridge Station Transit Center (expansion of current facility)
- Monterey Highway Station (new/relocated facility)

### Project Update

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The Capitol Expressway Light Rail Project is currently in the Conceptual Engineering/Environmental Review phase. Conceptual Engineering and the Environmental Document are expected to be completed and approved in 2004. A construction schedule has not yet been determined, but it is likely that the first phase will extend the Capitol Light Rail Line to the Eastridge Transit Center at Eastridge Mall. The Santa Clara Valley Transportation Authority (VTA) invites you to participate in this process by submitting your comments and suggestions regarding this project.

### Project Costs (2002 dollars)

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*(Costs based upon preliminary information developed during Conceptual Engineering)*

- Capitol Expressway Light Rail to Eastridge – \$250M
- Capitol Expressway Light Rail from Eastridge to Highway 87 – \$430M

### Operations

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The Capitol Expressway Light Rail Project is anticipated to operate with two-car light rail vehicle trains as an extension of the Capitol Light Rail Line with 10-12 minute headways.

**Disabled Access**

The Capitol Expressway Light Rail Extension will operate low-floor vehicles, and be fully accessible in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

**How to Reach Us**

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