



SR-710 North Study

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As Caltrans and Metro prepare to release the draft environmental document for the 710 North Study in February 2015, the public is encouraged to become engaged and learn the facts for themselves. Below are some key facts to address misconceptions surrounding the Study.

Study Process

CLAIM: The 710 North Study is skewed to support a freeway tunnel alternative.

FACT: Nothing has been decided. By law, Caltrans and Metro are equally evaluating the alternatives being considered in the Study:

- Bus Rapid Transit
- Freeway Tunnel
- Light Rail Transit
- No-Build
- Transportation System Management/Transportation Demand Management

Health Risk Assessment

CLAIM: The 710 North Study does not evaluate health risks.

FACT: As a part of the 710 North Study, a Health Risk Assessment is being prepared to address the effect of current and future exposures to mobile chemicals, such as gasoline and diesel exhaust emissions, to a broad population, such as a city or community.

Cost-Benefit Analysis

CLAIM: A cost-benefit analysis for the 710 North Study will not be released.

FACT: A cost-benefit analysis will be made available in February 2015 along with the draft environmental document. The cost-benefit analysis is one of many tools used to evaluate alternatives.

Increased Truck Traffic

CLAIM: The freeway tunnel will invite more trucks to travel through the area for goods transport from the ports.

FACT: The vast majority of the trucks that already travel within the Study area are local trucks that are delivering merchandise to local businesses. Cargo trucks traveling to and from the ports typically begin/end in the area south of State Route 60 or distribution centers in the Inland Empire. The tunnel alternative looks at the variation of allowing or prohibiting truck travel. Nothing has been decided.