



## Introduction

On Thursday, July 27, 2017, the Cities of West Sacramento and Sacramento hosted a joint Broadway Bridge community open house in Sacramento. The open house provided an update on the Broadway Bridge project as it enters the environmental assessment phase. More than 70 community members attended the outreach event at Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High School Multi-Purpose Room, located at 451 McClatchy Way in Sacramento, from 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.

## Community Event Purpose

The purpose of the open house was to kick off the environmental assessment of the Broadway Bridge project. The community was invited to learn more about the Broadway Bridge and provide comments or considerations related to the project's potential environmental effects.

Goals of the community event included:

- Provide an update on the Broadway Bridge project
- Gather community comments and considerations related to the project's potential environmental effects
- Answer questions and discuss opportunities and challenges on both sides of the riverfront

## Information Stations

The Broadway Bridge Open House provided six information stations with displays and maps for community members to visit. Project team and City staff members were available to discuss ideas and answer questions. The information stations included:

- Bridge Alignments – This station provided an overview of the six bridge crossing alignments currently being studied by the project team to connect South River Road in West Sacramento to Broadway in Sacramento.
- Bridge Aesthetics – This station discussed how the project team will determine the bridge design through technical analysis, regulations, and working with the community to gather feedback on community values and aesthetic priorities.
- Bridge Types – This station provided an overview of the three different types of movable bridge structures including a bascule bridge, lift bridge, and a swing bridge.



- Bridge Elements – This station highlighted different elements that could be incorporated into the design of the bridge including lighting, railings, overlooks, enhanced paving, wayfinding and educational signage, and public art.
- Environmental Process – This station highlighted the project schedule moving forward through the environmental assessment and preliminary design.
- What We've Heard – This station provided an overview of feedback received during the 2015 Broadway Bridge Feasibility Study including comments on the bridge alignment and how community members would use the new bridge crossing.

### Community Feedback

The following comments were submitted on comment cards:

#### *Environmental Considerations*

- How will traffic be mitigated on Broadway during construction?
- SCUSD has a maintenance office right off of Broadway. Construction might affect traffic for employees.
- Environmental impact as to the number of people using the bridge as well as Broadway and hopefully X Street on the Sacramento side. The usual considerations of course.
- This bridge will introduce West Sacramento / Sacramento. Bascule-style viewing, fishing, platform, bicycle rest. No parking on bridge. 800 - 1,200 feet. Barrier upstream downstream. Sensors monitoring.
- Keep all elements of "neighborhood-friendly" in mind. It must not be a freeway alternative that would attract motorists who would tend to speed.
- It should serve Sacramento and West Sacramento communities, not the through traffic from the East heading to the Bay Area. Getting local traffic off the freeway will improve the freeway flow.
- Sacramento is continuing to support SHRA in the expansion of the Alder Grove - Marina Vista Projects from 751 units to 1200/1500 units on the same 70.4 acres. If Sacramento is to include the "river walk" theme from Old Sacramento south, the expansion of the housing project, I believe, will be the "ugly duckling". No new construction can hide the fact of public housing / projects ghetto. Broadway to us, minus the projects, is a consideration.
- Greenhouse gas and particulate matter from traffic, delay from bridge, and boat traffic.
- Evaluate noise from pedestrians and bikes to autos on bridge.
- Evaluate alternatives to one with no vehicle mode (bike, pedestrian, transit only).
- Health impacts to surrounding communities and humans using the bridge.



- Evaluate future travel of modes (look at Truck/Policy etc. that will move Sacramento/California away from auto trips).
- Another crossing over one of our rivers and the out-migrating salmon. "River City" respects our waterways. Students learn from the importance of the rivers. Historically (Indian Tribes) and future (water conveying and flooding and habitat).
- Impacts to traffic on Jefferson Boulevard, River Road, and 15th Street, short term and long term.
- Placing bridge on most contaminated property so cleaner property can be safer for residential/commercial use.
- Pedestrian and bike access on Jefferson Boulevard, River Road, and 15th Street need to be evaluated (and improved).
- I have a concern about any alignment that impacts hazardous waste sites so close to the river. Has the City developed any biological provisions, best management practices, avoidance measures to account for potential impacts?
- Broadway Bridge is a poor location with oil refineries on both sides. A highway interchange limits development potential.
- These appear to be minimal, unless traffic is considered environmental.
- Environmental considerations will be adequately taken care of and evaluated during the CEQA process. The most important resource categories for this project are aesthetics, bio, traffic, and land usage.
- More traffic on Broadway.
- Please don't spill oil at the refinery.
- Please don't hurt the salmon in the colder months.
- Homeless people do affect the environment. Design with that in mind.
- There are lots of skunks at Miller Park.
- Oil and marshland habitats. This is already known, I'm sure.
- My concern is the potential impact of lighting on bridges. Docks and other structures that project directly or reflect into the water. "Lights on the river kill salmon". Provide documents that show how light impacts salmon.
- Keep all lighting off the river and out of the sky.
- The EIR must address this issue of light at night increasing predation of salmon.

#### *Bridge Alignment Alternatives*

- Split traffic on the Sacramento side between Broadway and (maybe) X Street is a must! With Broadway as a complete street (now approved), it can't sustain all the flow. It was



not shown on the story boards at the 7/27/17 Open House. It must stay under consideration.

- Broadway to 15th Street in West Sacramento or other established street. Use the K.I.S.S. principle.
- More info is needed.
- There are so many choices, we have not heard the reasons of each.
- No way should A or D be considered.
- I don't have a preference. My biggest concern is impact to the 15th Street/ River Road and Jefferson Boulevard/River Road intersections and traffic flow. Whichever design has the least impact - that is my preferred alternative.
- Let's avoid impacts to potential hazardous waste issues. I would prefer an alignment that avoids impacts to the oil companies.
- Somewhere else.
- I am not a fan of having this "Broadway Bridge" actually dump traffic onto Broadway where my neighborhood is devoting effort and resources to make it more neighborhood-friendly and less or slower traffic, fewer lanes, commercial areas and restaurants, more housing, etc. Please have this bridge be truly neighborhood-friendly and take traffic off and on from W Street and X Street, which are three lanes, one-way designed to transport a large volume of vehicles along those routes, giving access to I-5, downtown, East Sacramento, wherever. Not onto Broadway, please!! Suggestion- It would merge easily onto the off ramp at 3rd Street and X Street, which I use often.
- Linden to Sutterville Road is better. Nugget to Nugget bridge.
- Please keep the focus on local traffic. Alignment B looks the most efficient, not D.
- Alignment should avoid redesign of Jefferson Boulevard as much as possible for cost savings. Also try to minimize impacts to the marina as much as possible.
- Any will do.
- C1 is the best. I like the feel of D, but it gets strange when driving through the park. A and B are too close to the existing bridge.
- As West Sacramento grows, and the Bridge District becomes more popular, traffic handling should be carefully evaluated to divide traffic, especially during Rivercats game days. Avoid the back up of cars trying to get to Southport.
- Option C3 looks the best.
- I prefer B - Jefferson Boulevard to Broadway moving traffic to/from alternative streets. Maximize pedestrian, bicycle, accessibility.



### *Bridge Types*

- The swing bridge seems to be the least intrusive (visually) and least industrial among the alternatives. An "artistic" superstructure enhances the experience a plain viaduct does not. A super structure also tends to temper vehicle speeds.
- Is there any consideration to a beautiful bridge such as in Red Bluff or Bay Bridge (San Francisco) minus cheap Chinese steel?
- More info is needed.
- The bascule type seems quicker, yet modern. A nice variation of the Tower Bridge.
- Whichever type is most reliable and fastest. No sense in having a bridge if it takes an hour to allow vehicle / bike / pedestrian traffic to resume.
- The most cost-effective bridge since I am worried about hazardous waste remediation costs and environmental mitigation (protected species).
- Are all types essentially equally safe for cyclists? More people will bike because of this bridge. Focus on cyclist safety considering rails for the streetcar.
- Suspended bridge or tower-type of bridge. Similar look/design as Tower Bridge.
- Bascule.
- Futuristic. Compliment the gold bridge, don't try and outdo it. Must open for boats really slowly, to demonstrate that life is not a race.
- Look, I doubt - in general- people really care about this. I mean, they may have opinions, but based on what? To me, this comes down to one thing - speed! If this bridge has to move, let's please pick the type that stays open the least amount of time! Thanks!
- I like the lift bridge. We will need the opening to open and close as quickly as possible to accommodate the flow of traffic.
- Bascule-style. So few in Northern California district. Easy to maintain and cost for amenities.
- Lift-type preferred.

### *Bridge Elements*

- Lighting - Keep lighting near bridge level to avoid confusing river traffic! The soaring arcs on one picture board is entirely unsuitable - light pollution!
- Beautiful, non-traditional, functional, American-made.
- Consider the user experience in the design and operation of the bridge. E.G. Pedestrians walking, strollers, jogging, children, bikers or cyclists, elderly).
- Noise.



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- The lighting must not disrupt the natural habitat of the river. Cut off fixtures, warm colored, not a carnival ride.
- The photo that showed the roadway separated by wall and fence from cycle lane and pedestrian walkway would be awesome. Very user friendly.
- Artwork is lowest priority. Our money could be better spent elsewhere.
- We need sufficient lighting on the bridge and on the approaches so people feel safe getting to the bridge.
- Yes to lookouts, with shared benches.
- I like the idea of a protected, dedicated bike lane adjacent to a pedestrian walkway with overlooks. Additionally, I like the idea of sculpture lighting. I think those features will look great and blend in with the City lighting.
- Eliminate the streetcar line and include spacious bike / pedestrian access.
- Lots of light to discourage taggers and enhance safety, please.
- Bicycle and pedestrian elements as well as light rail and streetcar. Dedicated level for vehicle traffic separate from pedestrian / bike bridge level. S-shaped bridge design (aerial perspective).
- Bicycle-friendly. Local art. Shade!
- Both touchdowns are run-down areas. Sufficient lighting near the ends of the bridge for safety needs to happen sooner than later.
- Include energy-efficient lighting and utilities, maybe solar power. Should definitely include green design and sustainability.
- Bridge should be simple but have beautiful lines. I love art but it too should be simple and represent the local artists and city.
- Accessibility for the disabled will make everything else easier: bike, pedestrian, walkers, rest areas.
- Lighting and lighting as art is a problem in regards to the salmon predation. Lighting on/in railing may be preferred if it does not spill out onto the river.

*Other*

- Ensure walkways are wide enough for wheel chairs, walkers, and strollers without impeding traffic on foot. (Manual wheel chairs wouldn't seem suitable for bike lanes).
- No low-income housing projects on Broadway. No cheap steel, unique design, adjoining riverwalks in Sacramento and West Sacramento. Ensure pedestrian- and vehicle-friendly. West Sacramento and Sacramento work together, do not compete, start to finish. Keep politics minimal.
- Create a green zone. Toll all non-zero emission vehicles.



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- Restrict trucks over 25 feet in length or two axles.
- The art is important for daytime. Students can use the "compass rose". Reference to fish habitat is important.
- Other elements that might keep it cleaner: recycling and garbage cans, bathroom on both sides.
- Needs to be wide enough for vehicles and bike lane and sidewalk on both sides, plus trolley.
- Bridge needs to include car traffic (not just public transit access).
- Vista spots for sightseeing with shade.
- Cool LED lighting features.
- Dedicated lane for cute autonomous shuttles.
- You can buy 15 autonomous shuttles for the cost of one streetcar.
- Thank you!
- Connections under I-5 / Highway 50 must be safe during all hours of the day or night. Riverfront connection needs to include design elements for shops or commercial zoning or farmers market and food truck options to activate the space.
- I like the idea of a bridge.
- Farm to Fork Capitol! Asparagus. Do no harm! Sacramento historic beer culture. Sacramento Solons and Gilt Edge.
- Yeah, yeah, yeah we want cool. We want jaw-dropping. We want iconic. Then we meet budget constraints! Let's just agree to not do anything corny or that will already be outdated two years after it opens.
- Will Highway 5 on-ramps be developed for increasing capacity soon? Easy access for Southport residents is a must.
- Modern aesthetic design will be nice. Including public places around the bridge will also be nice.
- I am mainly concerned about the traffic distribution once one crosses over the bridge- I live on Muir Way, and there is enough traffic there already. Riverside and Land Park are also already impacted, as well. Issues with speed, as well.
- I was disappointed yet glad public input was sought out. I was looking for better research. Studies of Broadway and Jefferson Boulevard and new developments' construction.
- I'm very optimistic about this project. I'm hoping for a continuity in aesthetics with other bridges' color, lighting, etc. My concern is that usually on major engineering projects design is low on the scale. The bridge in Redding being the exception. . .



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- We should celebrate the salmon present in our rivers with salmon counting stations that the public can view, with salmon silhouettes along the river on bridges. Over Attention:
  - 1. Response note.
  - 2. Habitat 2020 letter to Mayors Steinberg/Cabaldon.
  - 3. Puntledge River shows that seals use light as a tool to feed on salmon.
  - 4. Cedar River Renton, WA- shows that three lights on a bridge can devastate a salmon population.
  - 5. Phototaxic behavior- recent research published in May 2017 shows the impact of 60 W lamps.
  - 6. Show that salmon are present all year long in the Sacramento River.

*Other Comments Submitted Via Email*

- I attended the recent community meeting on the Sacramento side by 5<sup>th</sup> and Broadway at the high school. Many others did too. Seemed a fair number were from West Sacramento. I wasn't impressed with the amount of info shared by the consultants. They seemed to be paid by West Sacramento and favor the bridge being bigger to allow more traffic and benefits to West Sacramento (for example - developers).

I focused on the traffic and pollution issues - talked to the rep covering environmental issues. I asked for rough estimate of projected traffic. [I was] told [it was] not known - bridge design/specifics still unknown. Maybe fair, but if someone knows –roughly, I'd like to know. I provided her a fact sheet from information obtained from the State Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) and a Sac Bee article that highlights that the Upper Land Park area where the bridge would “land” on the Sacramento side (Tract 6067002200) already falls within the very high 91-95 statewide percentile range of the OEHHA indicator scores –very bad. Traffic and diesel issues are already very high. This is also an area that the City has greatly over-concentrated public housing, with resulting extremely high poverty levels, with so many at risk children. It's critical that bridge planning account for these children, the environment these children and struggling families live in and the air they breathe.

Seems a smaller bridge, with just one lane each way , but also room for bikers and pedestrians creates less risk for increased traffic and resulting pollution in our neighborhoods on both sides of the River. This bridge should NOT be about opportunities to greatly increase development and profits. Everything possible should be done to make sure traffic across the river is not increased a whole bunch and that the Sacramento side “landing” heads traffic towards X street and under the Freeway to the north, and away from funneling down Broadway and into the neighborhoods I mention directly to the south. Traffic studies should include Broadway, W and X Streets -- to Highway 99 and



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residential streets north and south of Broadway, to 24th Street. Mitigation should be recommended to minimize traffic on residential streets.

I've CCed our Sacramento City Planning and City Councilmember folks too. I didn't know who on the Sacramento side is receiving comments.



**Attendee Information per Title VI Visual Tally**

Title VI information about the community meeting attendees is below.

Public Participation Visual Tally		
<b>Gender</b>	Female	26
	Male	41
<b>Ethnicity</b>	Hispanic or Latino	5
	Not Hispanic or Latino	62
<b>Race</b>	American Indian or Alaska Native	0
	Asian	5
	Black or African American	4
	Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	0
	White	54
	Other	4
<b>Disability</b>	Yes	4
	No	63
<b>Age</b>	Under 40	29
	Over 40	38

**Notification**

To notify the community about the Broadway Bridge Open House, email notifications were sent to more than 7,000 interested community members. Printed flyers were distributed to the Marina Vista and Alder Grove neighborhoods and job centers.

The project team reached out to stakeholders on both sides of the river to also promote the community open house with their individual organizations and on their social media channels and newsletters if applicable.

The open house was promoted on the following social media channels:

- City of West Sacramento
- City of Sacramento
- Caltrans District 3
- Environmental Council of Sacramento (ECOS)
- WALK Sacramento
- Sacramento Area Bicycle Advocates
- Sacramento Transit Advocates and Riders
- Land Park Community Association
- Delta Gardens Home Owners Association – Beta
- Pocket / Greenhaven Community Association



- Young Professionals in Transportation
- West Sacramento Hub

The open house was also featured on the City of West Sacramento’s iLights blog on both Cities’ NextDoor accounts. A news release was distributed to local news sources. Coverage before and at the open house included [KCRA 3](#), [ABC 10](#), Fox40 and the West Sacramento News-Ledger.

*How did you hear about this meeting?*

Upon arrival at the event, community members were asked to identify how they heard about the event.





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## Appendix

- Flyer Invitation
- News Release
- City iLights
- Fact Sheet
- Comment Card

# Broadway Bridge Project **Open House**

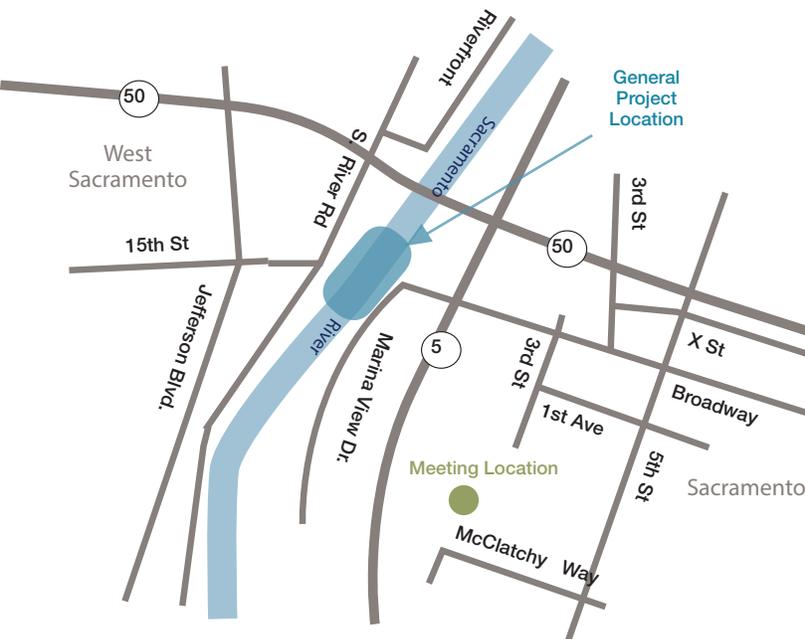
**Thursday, July 27**

**Drop by anytime between  
5:00 - 6:30 p.m.**

**Arthur A. Benjamin Health  
Professions High School  
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Sacramento**

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Staffed information stations with maps and other project materials will be available from 5:00 - 6:30 p.m. Please drop by at your convenience.



The proposed project includes a “neighborhood friendly” bridge. The bridge will provide enhanced access for all modes of transportation including pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, future streetcar, and motorists.

For more information, go to:  
<http://bit.ly/BroadwayBridge>

Questions about the scoping meeting?  
Contact Gladys Cornell at 916-442-1168 or [info@aimconsultingco.com](mailto:info@aimconsultingco.com)

For reasonable accommodation needs due to a physical disability that may hinder your participation, please contact the City of Sacramento's ADA Coordinator directly at (916) 808-8795.



## NEWS RELEASE

July 25, 2017

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### Environmental Review Kickoff for Broadway Bridge Project

*Open House for Broadway Bridge Project scheduled for Thursday, July 27*

A community open house presented by the cities of West Sacramento and Sacramento gives area residents an opportunity to learn about the proposed Broadway Bridge project, ask questions and provide comments and considerations for the start of the environmental review process. The event will be held Thursday, July 27, from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m. at the Arthur A. Benjamin Health Professions High School on 451 McClatchy Way in Sacramento.

“The Broadway Bridge presents a unique opportunity to connect the West Sacramento and Sacramento communities along the southern riverfront,” explained Jason McCoy, City of West Sacramento project manager. “The crossing will provide enhanced access for those traveling between the two cities and visiting key destinations on either side of the river.”

The proposed bridge project creates improved access for all modes of transportation, including pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, motorists and the future streetcar.

“This project will also connect to the City’s planned improvements along the Broadway corridor,” said Jesse Gothan, City of Sacramento project manager.

The Notice of Preparation of an Environmental Impact Report for the Broadway Bridge Project is available on the project webpage at <http://bit.ly/BroadwayBridge>. The environmental scoping period concludes on August 20, 2017. The environmental review phase of the Broadway Bridge project is scheduled to be complete by the end of 2019.

Contact Jason McCoy, project manager with the City of West Sacramento, at: [mccoyj@cityofwestsacramento.org](mailto:mccoyj@cityofwestsacramento.org) to ask questions about either the open house or the Broadway Bridge project.

## Broadway Bridge Open House, Thursday July 27th

Posted on July 23, 2017

You're invited to the Broadway Bridge Project open house Thursday, July 27th from 5-6:30 p.m. to learn about potential environmental impacts.

The proposed project includes a "neighborhood friendly" bridge connecting the cities of Sacramento and West Sacramento. The bridge will provide enhanced access for all modes of transportation including pedestrians, cyclists, transit riders, future streetcar, and motorists.

More info below:

### Broadway Bridge Project **Open House**

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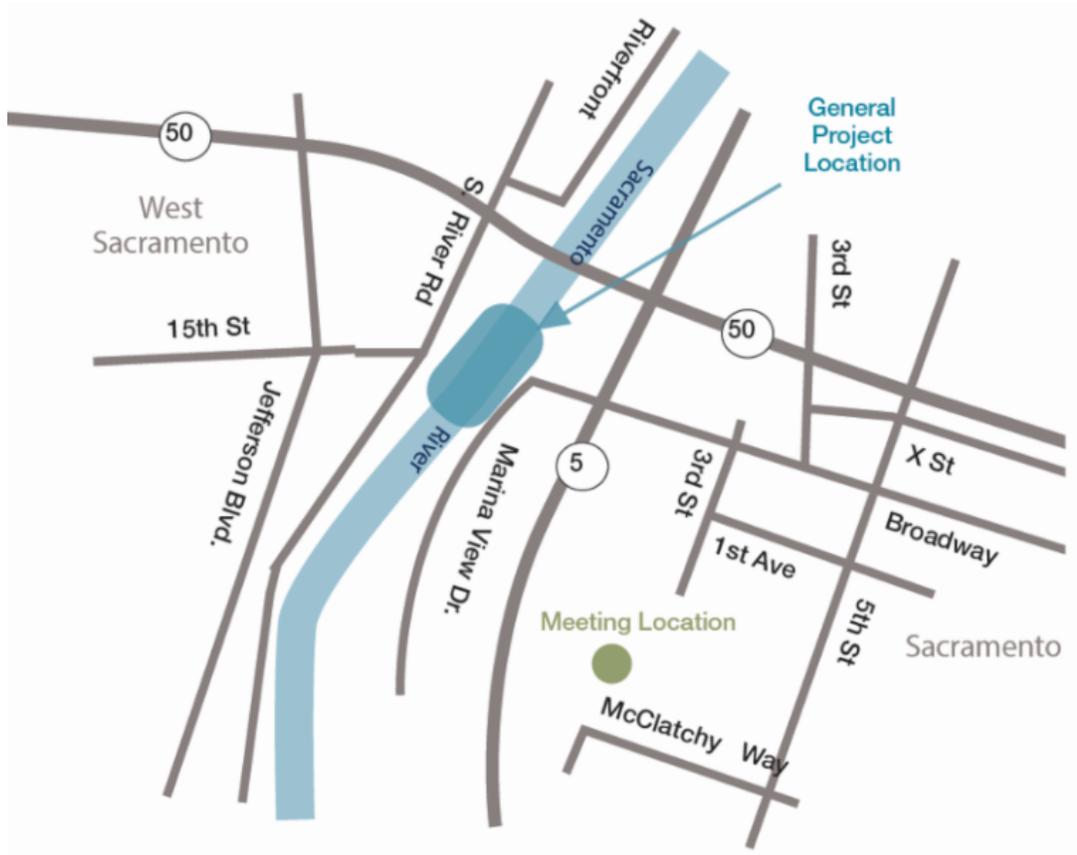
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For more information, visit the [project webpage](#).

To download a copy of the flyer, [click here](#).

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## About the Broadway Bridge Project

The cities of West Sacramento and Sacramento are developing preliminary engineering concepts for a new “neighborhood friendly” bridge across the Sacramento River downstream of the Pioneer Bridge. The bridge will connect South River Road on the west landing and Broadway on the east landing, as identified in the 2003 Riverfront Master Plan. The crossing will be a movable bridge that can accommodate a future streetcar alignment and will include enhanced connections for pedestrians and cyclists.

During this phase of the planning process the project team will evaluate the proposed bridge alignments and landing alternatives, study the potential bridge types and complete preliminary engineering and environmental documentation for the project.



## Schedule



## Learn More

Visit <http://bit.ly/BroadwayBridge>

## Questions:

Contact Jason McCoy, Project Manager with the City of West Sacramento at [mccoyj@cityofwestsacramento.org](mailto:mccoyj@cityofwestsacramento.org)



# Broadway Bridge Project Community Feedback



Please provide any comments regarding potential environmental considerations to be studied and/or evaluated during the environmental assessment phase.

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Please provide any comments or questions regarding the following topics:

- **Bridge Alignment Alternatives**

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- **Bridge Types**

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- **Bridge Elements**

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- **Other**

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You can submit your comments to staff today or directly to Ashley Baumgartner at [abaum@aimconsultingco.com](mailto:abaum@aimconsultingco.com) or fax (916) 442 - 1186.

