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Meeting Date: 8/16/2011

Report Type: Consent

Title: Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) Bi-Annual Federal Programming Call for Projects

Report ID: 2011-00687

Location: Citywide

Recommendation: Adopt a Resolution approving the submission of projects to Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) for federal funding.

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Presenter: None

Department: Transportation Department

Division: Funding & Project Development

Dept ID: 15001121

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Description/Analysis

Issue: The Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) has announced a call for projects for SACOG-administered federal transportation funding for capital projects in Sacramento, Sutter, Yolo, and Yuba Counties. SACOG’s call for projects is issued in three separate program areas: the Local/Regional program, the Bicycle/Pedestrian program, and the Community Design program. Staff has evaluated potential projects based on SACOG’s criteria, eligibility requirements, and City priorities to identify recommended projects.

Policy Considerations: The action requested supports the City’s Strategic Plan goals of improving and expanding public safety, enhancing livability, and promoting economic vitality.

Environmental Considerations:

California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA): This activity is not considered a project as defined by Section 15378 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) guidelines. The activity does not involve physical construction and has no potential to cause a significant impact on the environment (CEQA Section 15061(b)(3)).

Sustainability Considerations: This project is consistent with the City Sustainability Plan by focusing on improving and optimizing transportation infrastructure and encouraging walking and bicycling.

Other: None

Commission/Committee Action: None

Rationale for Recommendation: Staff is recommending that Council adopt the projects listed below for submittal to SACOG, as they best meet the SACOG criteria and City funding priority needs:

Project Name	Description	Fund Request	Program Area
Ramona Avenue Extension	Extension to Folsom Boulevard	\$5.1 million	Local/ Regional (capital)
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Financial Considerations: Federal funding is increasingly important for delivery of transportation projects. Local match funding is set-aside annually as part of the Capital Improvement Program to address needs for projects being recommended. Specific match funding will be determined once SACOG approves the City’s applications and the specific federal and STIP funds are designated by SACOG. The City’s match on federal projects is typically 11.47% and will come from non general fund sources.

Emerging Small Business Development (ESBD): None

Background

In June 2011, the Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) issued a call for projects as part of the bi-annual process of allocating federal transportation funds that are programmed through SACOG. Funding sources available are the federal Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP), Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality (CMAQ), and Transportation Enhancement (TE) funds. SACOG allocates the funding for the four counties of Sacramento, Yolo, Sutter, and Yuba.

SACOG has solicited candidate projects through three separate program areas: the Regional/Local program, the Bicycle/Pedestrian program, and the Community Design program. The programs are outlined below.

Regional/Local

The Regional/Local Funding Program is SACOG's largest competitive program. The emphasis of the program is to fund projects that provide regional benefits; projects of varying size and type are eligible to apply. The program seeks to promote effective and efficient use of limited state and federal funding resources to both develop and maintain the regional transportation network. Candidate projects must be Federal Aid eligible and be able to begin construction no later than 2017. The project must meet one or more of SACOG's policy considerations, which are:

- Honor prior funding commitments
- Emphasize cost-effective programming decisions
- Fix it first, or maintain facilities in a state of good repair
- Focus on small or medium sized capital projects
- Support project development phases for future funding opportunities

Candidate projects must also demonstrate how they meet one or more of the Program Performance Outcomes, which are:

- Support a regional reduction in Vehicle Miles Traveled (VMT)
- Support a regional reduction in congested VMT
- Support an increase in multi-modal/alternative travel/choice of transportation options
- Provide long-term economic benefit within the region
- Improve goods movement, including farm to market travel
- Significantly improve safety and security

In addition to providing funding for capital projects, SACOG has also made funding through the Regional/Local program available for road rehabilitation/re-surfacing projects. In order to be awarded rehabilitation funding, a project must include "complete streets" elements. A typical example of such a project would be an overlay or a street seal which implemented new bike lanes and/or new sidewalks.

Bicycle/Pedestrian

The Bicycle/Pedestrian Funding Program provides funding for capital and non-capital bicycle and pedestrian projects emphasizing facilities for walking and biking in the cities and towns of the region, and providing connections between them. In SACOG's preferred Blueprint Scenario, bicycling and walking are integral to the types of development patterns depicted in the Blueprint preferred scenario and are necessary for its successful implementation. Projects and programs funded through this program must support the implementation of the Blueprint preferred scenario and planning principles. Specific SACOG selection criteria are:

- Projects must fulfill program goals and performance outcomes (barrier elimination, gap closure, increase bicycle/walking trips, connections to/within activity centers, improves safety and security for cyclists & pedestrians)
- Cost-effectiveness is achieved by minimizing projected capital and operating expenditures while offering strong performance benefits
- Sponsor agency commitment to implement the project, as evident by non-SACOG source funding commitments and inclusion in local policy documents

Community Design

The Community Design Funding Program provides funding to local jurisdictions seeking to construct specific development and public improvements that will help foster Blueprint-friendly communities. Projects must also conform to one or more of the seven Blueprint principles:

- Transportation Choices
- Housing Diversity
- Compact Development
- Mixed land uses
- Use of existing assets
- Natural resource protection
- Quality design

Recommended Projects

Based on these criteria and evaluation of funding needs, staff recommends the following projects for application for funding. Project eligibility and local priority are summarized in Table 1.

Ramona Avenue Extension (*Regional/Local program*)

Project Description: Ramona Avenue Extension will provide a new connection between Ramona Avenue and Folsom Boulevard. This connection would result in improved and direct access to the California State University Sacramento (CSUS) campus in accordance with the CSUS Master Plan, previously approved Southeast Area Transportation Study and the City of Sacramento General Plan. In addition, it would connect industrial areas south of Folsom Boulevard along

Power Inn Road to commercial areas north of Folsom Boulevard. The proposed project also would minimize delay of emergency access to commercial and residential areas along Ramona Avenue and Cucamonga Avenue that currently have only a single access point from Power Inn Road.

Cost estimate (construction phase only): \$5,100,000

Ueda Parkway (Regional/Local program)

Project Description: This project constructed a Class I off-street bicycle facility between El Camino Avenue and Sotnip Road. The project was constructed in 2007 with a loan of federal funds from SACOG. The City agreed to apply for funding through the Bicycle/Pedestrian program after the project had been constructed. Because the project was not awarded funds after construction, the City committed to repay the federal funds over time. The City would like to re-apply at this time in order to forgive the outstanding balance on the loan.

Cost estimate (construction phase only): \$515,000

14th Avenue Extension (Regional/Local program)

Project Description: Construct an extension of 14th Avenue from its current terminus east of Power Inn Road to a new intersection with Florin Perkins Road. The project will improve traffic operations in southeast Sacramento by providing a new connection in the roadway grid, allowing better efficiency for local and regional trips. The project will also provide significant benefit in terms of private development by providing enhanced access to the Granite Park as well as commercial properties south of Granite Park.

Cost Estimate (Construction Phase only): \$6,000,000

Folsom Boulevard (Regional/Local program)

Project Description: This is a Complete Street rehabilitation project. The project would provide an overlay on Folsom Boulevard between 65th Street and the Highway 50 underpass just east of 69th Street. This section of Folsom Boulevard has numerous sections with missing sidewalks and missing bike lanes. Enhanced sidewalks, as specified by the recently adopted 65th Street Area Specific Plan, would be implemented with this project to the extent that they fall within the existing Right of Way.

Cost Estimate (Design and Construction Phases): \$2,280,000 including local match. Total federal request is \$2,000,000.

Bruceville Road (Regional/Local program)

Project Description: This is a Complete Street rehabilitation project. The project would provide an overlay on Bruceville Road between Valley Hi Drive and Wyndham Drive. This section of Bruceville Road has missing sidewalks on the

east side of the road which would be constructed as part of this project. The project would also stripe new bike lanes.

Cost Estimate (Design and Construction Phases): \$1,740,000 including local match. Total federal request is \$1,500,000.

City College Pedestrian Overcrossing (*Community Design and Bicycle/Pedestrian program*)

Project Description: This project provides a new alternate modes connection between Sacramento City College and the proposed site of the Curtis Park Village development project. The project will provide a safe and accessible link between Land Park and Curtis Park, enhancing connectivity to the Light Rail station located on the Campus.

Cost Estimate (construction phase only): \$8,000,000

Table 1

Projects and SACOG/City Criteria

Project Title	Project Funding Need	TPG Ranking	SACOG Criteria*	Notes
Regional/Local Program				
Ramona Extension	\$5.1 million	3	1,2,3,4,6	The project currently has approximately \$8.5M in local, state, and federal funds invested. Environmental work is substantially complete.
Ueda Parkway	\$0.44 million	N/A	1,3,6	The project has been constructed. Grant funds are needed to repay a SACOG loan for construction.
14 th Avenue Extension	\$6.0 million	12	2,4	Highest ranking unconstructed portion of the SEAT Study. DOT has completed a feasibility study and CEQA clearance. \$3.5M in redevelopment funds have been committed.
Bruceville Road (rehab)	\$1.5 million	Rehab scheduled in 2013	Meets complete streets criteria	Lacking sidewalks on the east side and bike lanes on both sides.
Folsom Boulevard (rehab)	\$2.0 million	Rehab scheduled in 2013	Meets complete streets criteria	Lacking frontage improvements in many locations. Improvements would be consistent with the 65 th Street Area Specific Plan.
Sacramento City College/Curtis Park Village Pedestrian Overcrossing	\$8.0 million	11	7,8,9,10,11,12,15	Over \$2M in local, state, and federal funds currently invested. CEQA and NEQA clearance is complete.
*SACOG Criteria				
<p>Regional/Local Program</p> <p>1 - Does the project support a regional reduction in VMT</p> <p>2 - Does the project support a regional reduction in Congested VMT</p> <p>3 - Does the project support an increase in multi-modal/alternative travel/choice of transportation options</p> <p>4 - Does the project provide long-term economic benefit within the region</p> <p>5 - Does the project improve good movement, including farm-to-market travel, in the region</p> <p>6 - Does the project significantly improve safety and security</p> <p>Bicycle/Pedestrian Program</p> <p>7 - Does the project fulfill program goals and performance outcomes</p> <p>8 - Meets SACOG cost effectiveness goal</p> <p>9 - Sponsor agency priority/financial commitment</p> <p>Community Design Program</p> <p>10 - Provide transportation choices</p> <p>11 - Encourage housing diversity</p> <p>12 - Encourage mixed land uses</p> <p>13 - Use of existing assets</p> <p>14 - Natural resource protection</p> <p>15 - Quality Design</p>				



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RESOLUTION NO.

Adopted by the Sacramento City Council

STATE AND FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION GRANT FUNDING SELECTION OF PROJECTS

BACKGROUND

- A. Sacramento Area Council of Governments (SACOG) has announced a call for projects to receive Federal Transportation funding.
- B. Funding is available through three SACOG programs:
 - Regional/Local program
 - Community Design program
 - Bicycle/Pedestrian program
- C. Staff has evaluated eligible projects and availability of local matching funds and developed recommended candidate projects.

BASED ON THE FACTS SET FORTH IN THE BACKGROUND, THE CITY COUNCIL RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The following list of projects is approved for submission to SACOG for federal funds. The cost estimates may change as staff further refines the estimates.

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Section 2. Exhibits A, B, C, D, E, and F are attached and are part of this Resolution.

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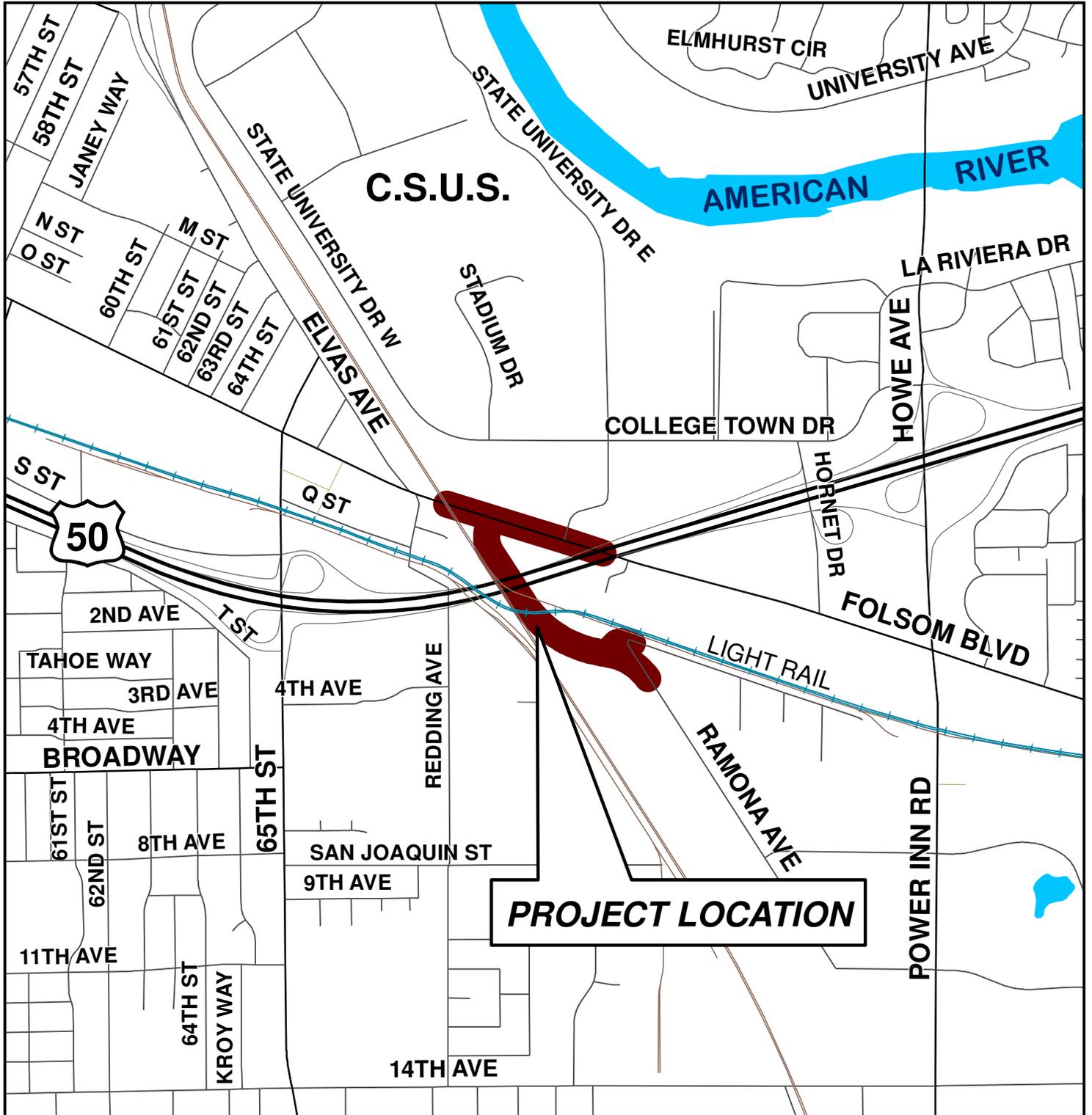
Exhibit E: Map of Folsom Boulevard Rehabilitation Project

Exhibit F: Map of Sacramento City College Pedestrian Overcrossing Project



Location Map for

Ramona Avenue Extension Project



Location Map for

Ueda Bicycle Trail Project



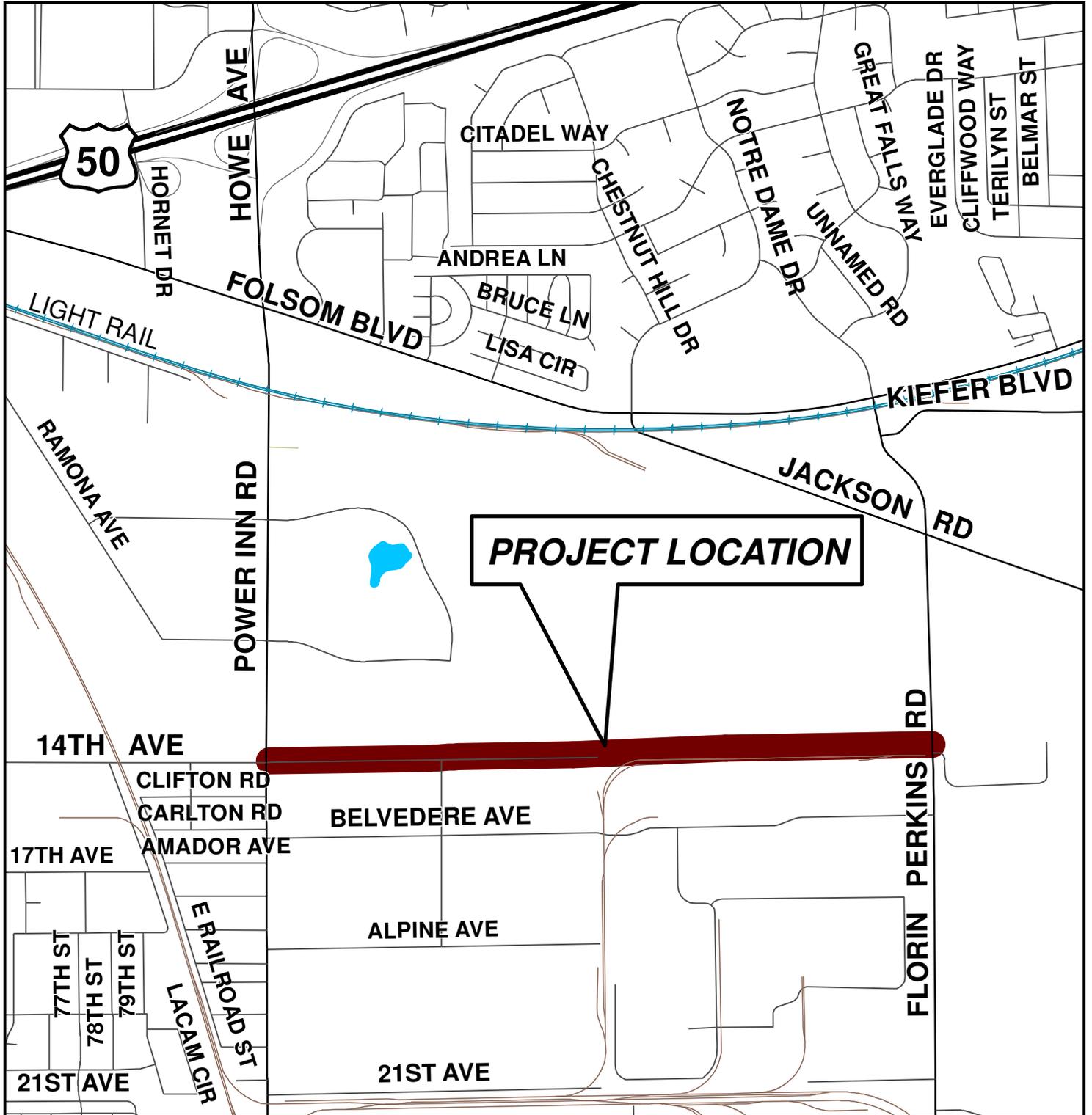
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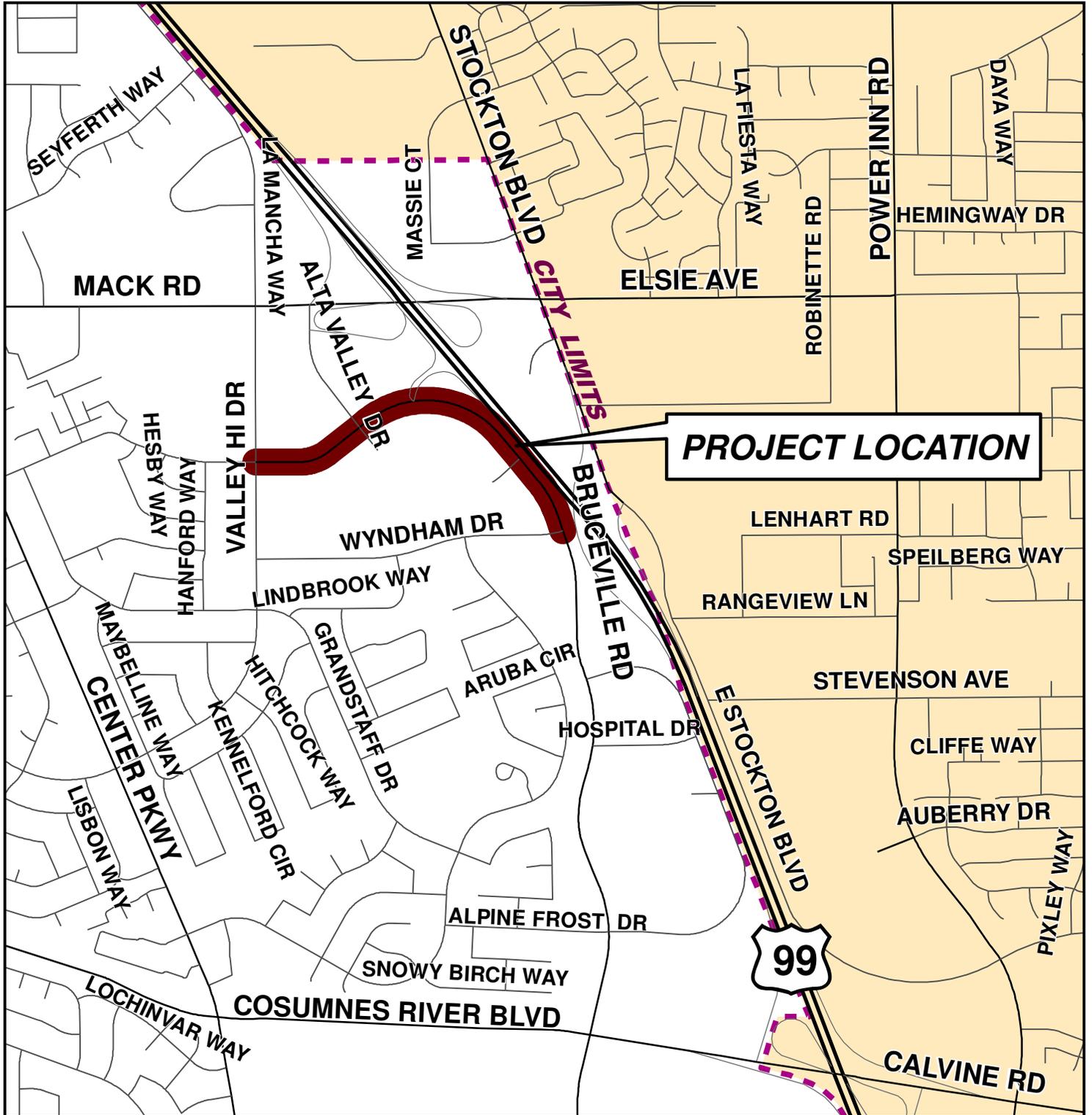
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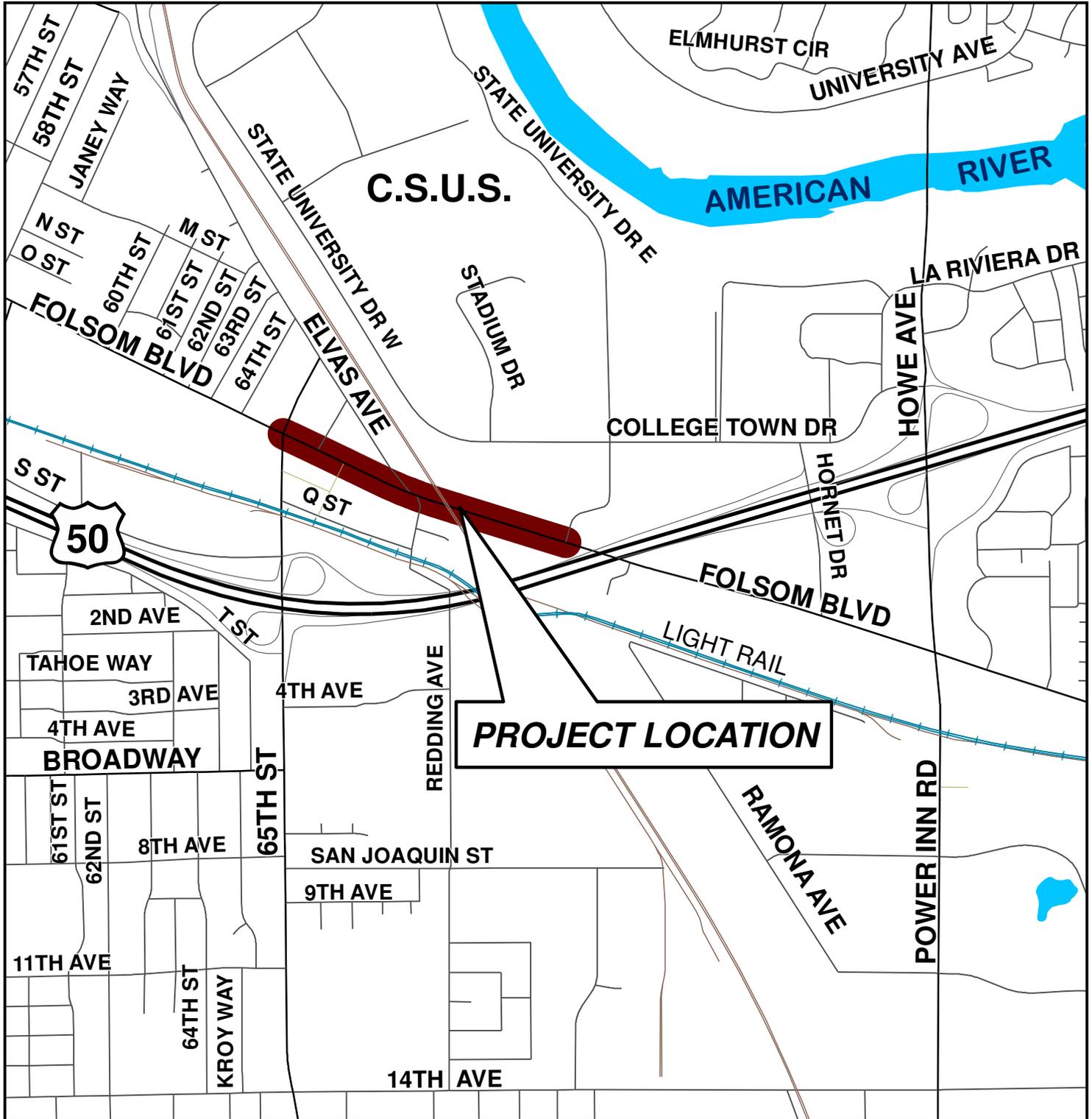
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