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Michael Kraman
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Re: Opposition to 241 Toll Road Routes through San Clemente

Dear Mr. Kraman:

This letter is to inform you that we oppose any alignment which would extend the 241 Toll Road through the City of San Clemente. Specifically, we oppose potential alignment Options 13, 14, and 17 as depicted on recent maps provided by the TCA as these options would decimate existing open space and residential areas. We are aware that prior analysis has been conducted on Option 9 which would provide an east-west connection between the 73 and 241 toll roads. Since the prior analysis demonstrated that this connection would provide regional mobility benefits the TCA should strongly consider this option and must include it for detailed analysis in the upcoming environmental impact review of project alternatives. Such an east-west connection is similar to the "Beltway" alternative which has been previously shared with TCA and which is conceptually depicted in the attached map.

We believe that an arterial street solution provides the best overall benefit for mobility in South Orange County. Specifically, such an alternative would include a combination of arterial street improvements to extend Crown Valley Parkway to connect to the 241 Toll Road, construct an east-west arterial along the Option 9 corridor, and extend Avenida La Pata along what is shown as the Option 8 route. An arterial street option should also be included for detailed analysis in the upcoming environmental impact review of project alternatives.

We oppose potential alignment Options 13, 14 and 17, and any toll road extension alignments that cut through the City of San Clemente, because there are project alternatives that will provide regional mobility benefits with fewer adverse impacts.

Sincerely,

Kathy Ward,
Mayor

cc: Senator Pat Bates
Assemblyman Bill Brough
Darrell Johnson, OCTA
Ryan Chamberlain, Caltrans District 12
Lisa Bartlett, Orange County Board of Supervisors 5th District

Introducing the OC Beltway.

- Rancho Santa Margarita, Mission Viejo, Ladera Ranch, and future Rancho Mission Viejo connect directly with John Wayne Airport, Irvine, and Costa Mesa
- *Synergy*: toll payers on the 241 would become toll payers on the 73
- Foothill residents get their own superhighway to the I-5 and 405
- Peak demand on Crown Valley, Oso, and La Paz would be greatly reduced
- OC residents can circle from Tustin to San Juan Capistrano via the 133 or Jamboree and *never touch a freeway!*
- Our freeway traffic is reduced

THE OC BELTWAY - THE SMART CONNECTION

