

PATTERSON PASS ROAD SAFETY STUDY

Frequently Asked Questions

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1. What is the safety study?

Alameda County Public Works is conducting a safety study along Patterson Pass Road, from North Greenville Road to the Alameda/San Joaquin County Line. The purpose of the study is to evaluate and prioritize safety needs based on several factors including traffic data, safety issues, accident history, roadway features, and public concerns. A final report will be published and available after the study is complete.

2. Why is this study needed?

Between the years of 2005 through 2012, there were 146 traffic related accidents along Patterson Pass Road within the study limits. Due to this accident history, an evaluation of this corridor is needed to identify safety issues that may be contributing to the reported accidents and to identify potential measures to mitigate these issues.

3. Will the study impact adjacent properties?

The study will be mainly conducted along the existing roadway and should not affect the adjacent properties nor traffic along the road.

4. Is the County planning to widen and realign the entire Patterson Pass Road?

Initial results indicate that there is a need to implement a number of safety improvements within the study limits. Short-term projects (constructed over period of 1 to 4 years) could include new signs, speed control signs, rumble strips, tree trimming, CHP enforcement areas, and other minor improvements. Mid-term projects (constructed over a period of 5 to 10 years) could include spot widening at locations that are experiencing a large number of accidents. Long-term projects (constructed beyond 11 years) could involve more major curve correcting realignments.

5. When will the projects be constructed?

The actual dates for constructing the projects will be highly dependent on acquiring funding, performing design and obtaining environmental clearance. The purpose of the study is to develop projects that can be submitted for funding through State and Federal programs.

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6. When will the Study be completed?

The study is anticipated to be completed by the end of 2014. We have already performed aerial mapping of the study limits, traffic studies, initial geotechnical and environmental assessments, and have developed some safety recommendations for public review/input.

7. Will the information and results of the study be available?

Yes. Collected information and the proposed recommendations will be presented in public meetings and the final report will be available to the public upon completion.

8. How can I get additional information about this project?

There are several ways you can contact us:

- Via website: <u>www.acgov.org/pwa</u>
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