

## I-15 Central Corridor

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#### PROJECT ELEMENTS

- I-15, I-215 (Southern Beltway) to Oakey Blvd
- Meade Ave/I-15
- Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd

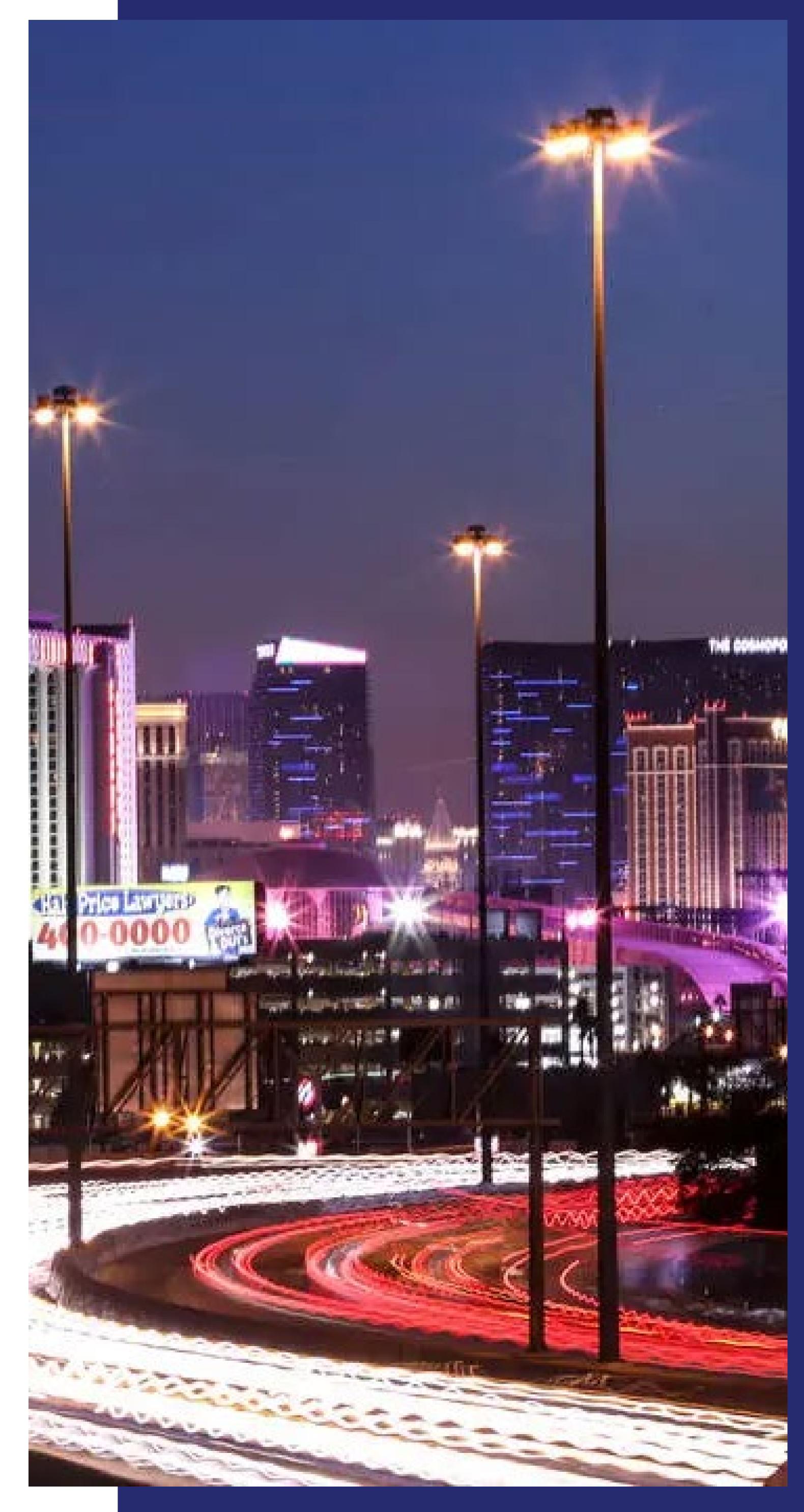






#### PURPOSE AND NEED

- Decrease congestion
- Improve transportation safety and access
- Serve existing and future local and regional growth areas
- Accommodate regional and local plans







#### ADJACENT I-15 PROJECTS

**2012:** I-15 South Design-Build complete - Silverado Ranch Blvd to Tropicana Ave

2019: Project Neon - Sahara Ave to Spaghetti Bowl

**2025:** Anticipated completion of I-15/Tropicana Interchange reconstruction project









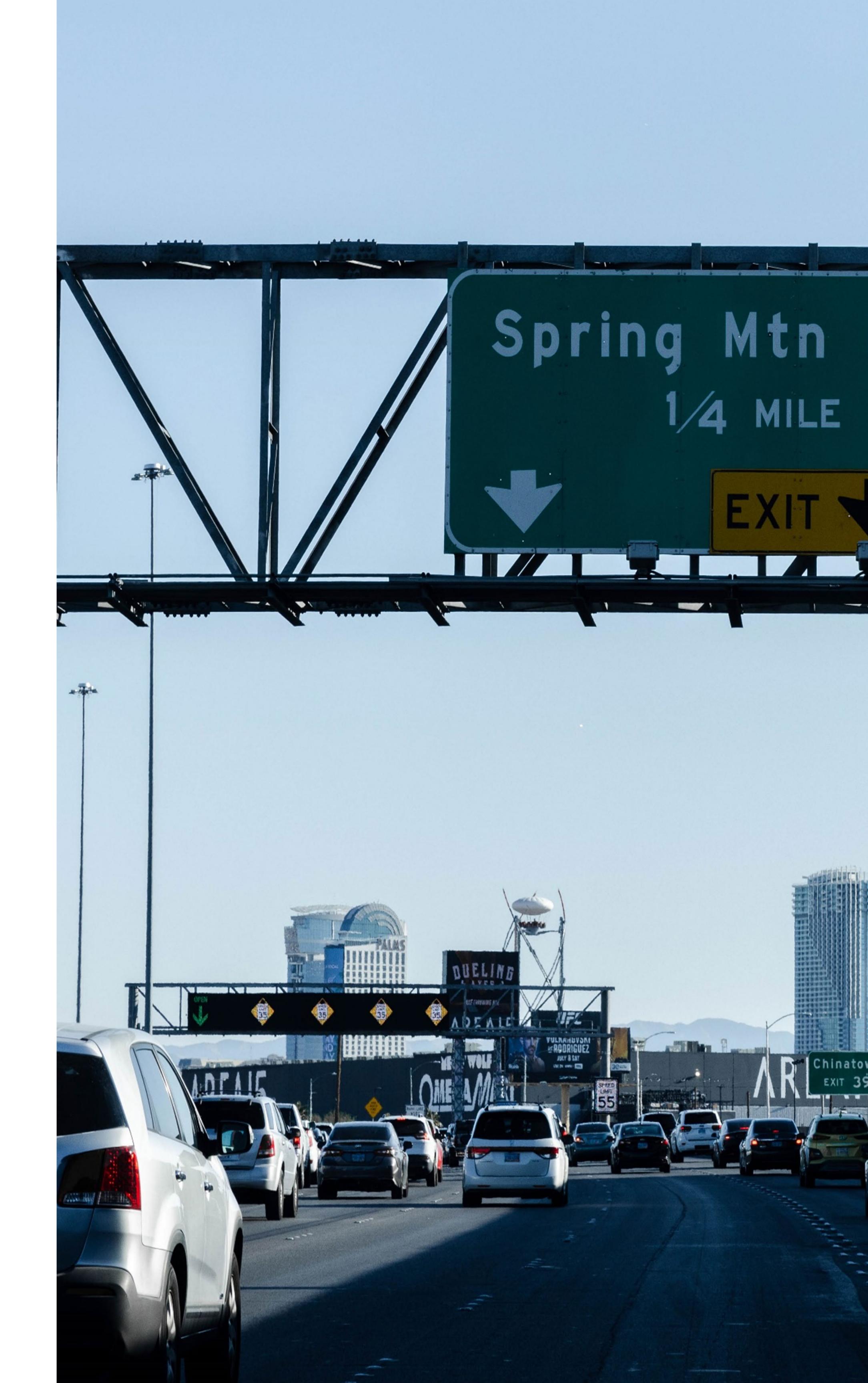
## PREVIOUS PUBLIC FEEDBACK

I-15 FLAMINGO TO SAHARA
2021 FEASIBILITY STUDY
VIRTUAL PUBLIC MEETING

#### What you told us:

- Long local travel times/congestion
- Enhance safety
- HOV lanes desired
- Current landscaping is appreciated



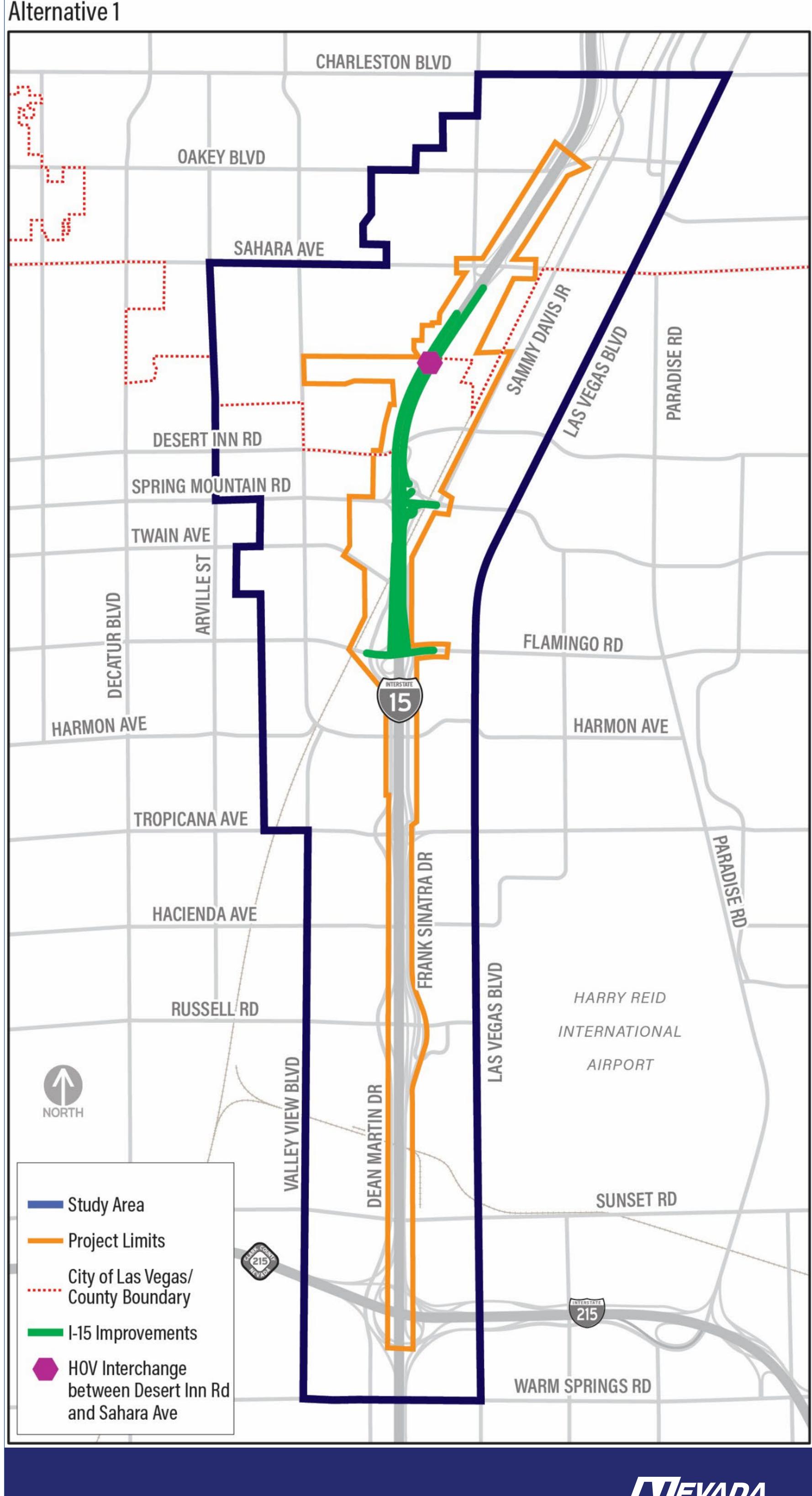


## I-15 CENTRAL CORRIDOR INITIAL ALTERNATIVES

#### Alternative 1:

- One new lane added to northbound and southbound I-15 from Flamingo Rd to Sahara Ave
- Optional HOV Interchange near Meade Ave
- Flamingo Rd improved and widened over I-15







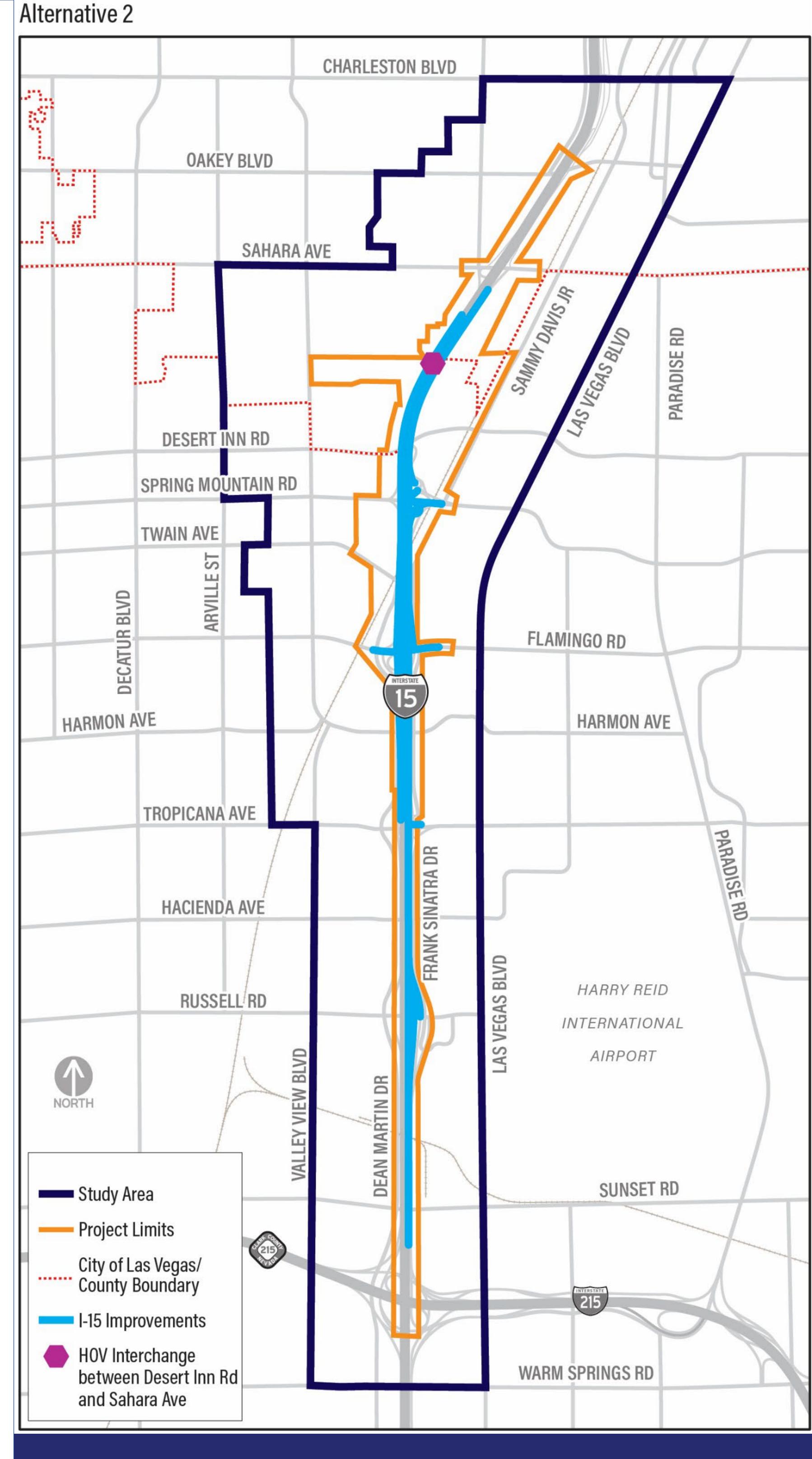
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#### Alternative 2:

- One new lane added to northbound and southbound I-15 from Flamingo Rd to Sahara Ave
- Optional HOV Interchange near Meade Ave
- Flamingo Rd improved and widened over I-15
- Additional improvements between I-215 and Flamingo Rd:



- NB I-215 CD Road
- Russell Rd/I-15 ramps
- Tropicana Ave/I-15 ramps
- Flamingo Rd/I-15 ramps





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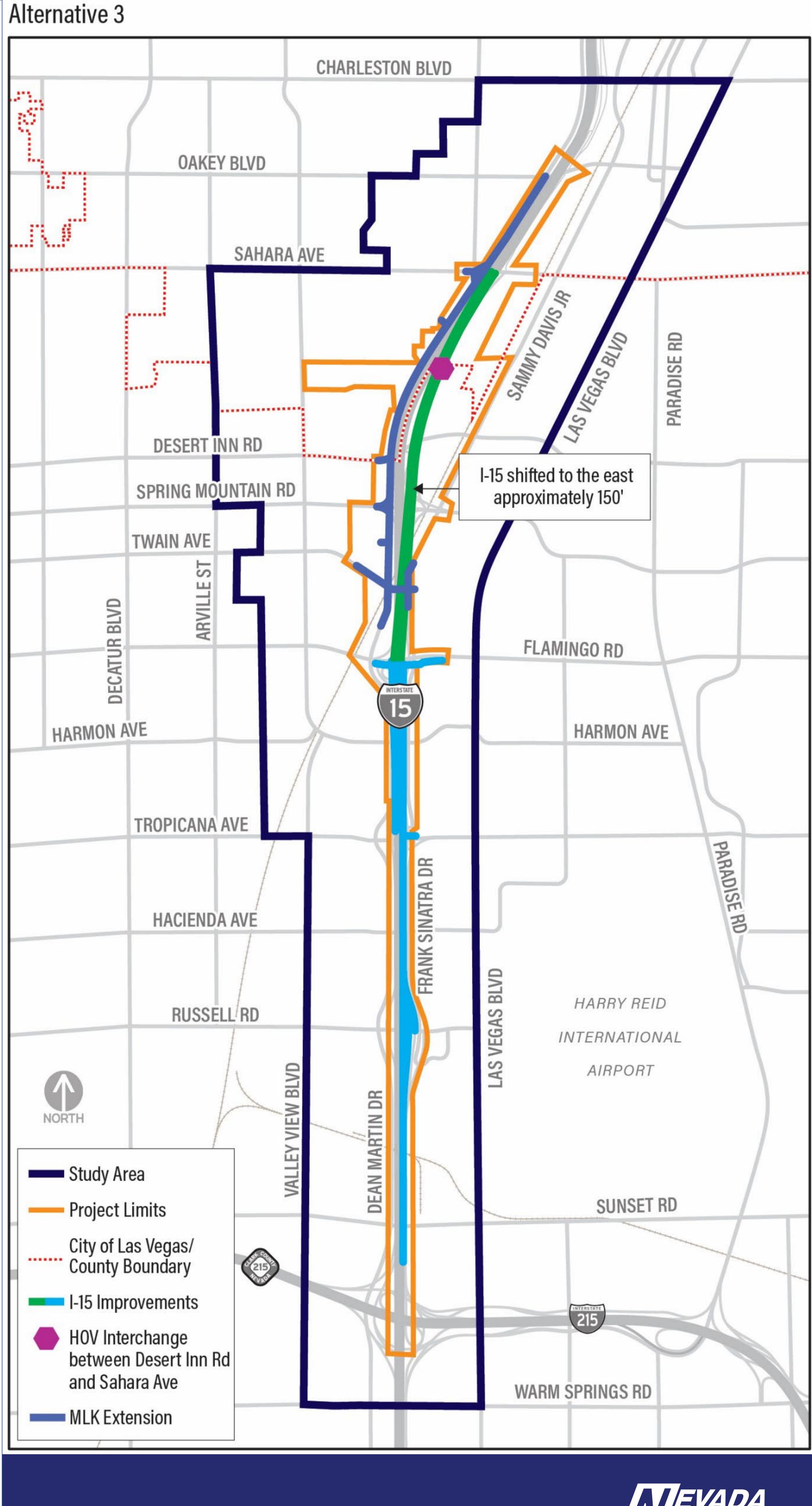
#### Alternative 3:

- **3a:** Alternative 1 with Martin Luther King Jr Blvd Extension and I-15 shifted to the east, with optional HOV Interchange near Meade Ave
- **3b:** Alternative 2 with Martin Luther King Jr Blvd Extension and I-15 shifted to the east, with optional HOV Interchange near Meade Ave

#### Alternative 4: "No-Build"

 No improvements made to I-15 from I-215 to Oakey Blvd









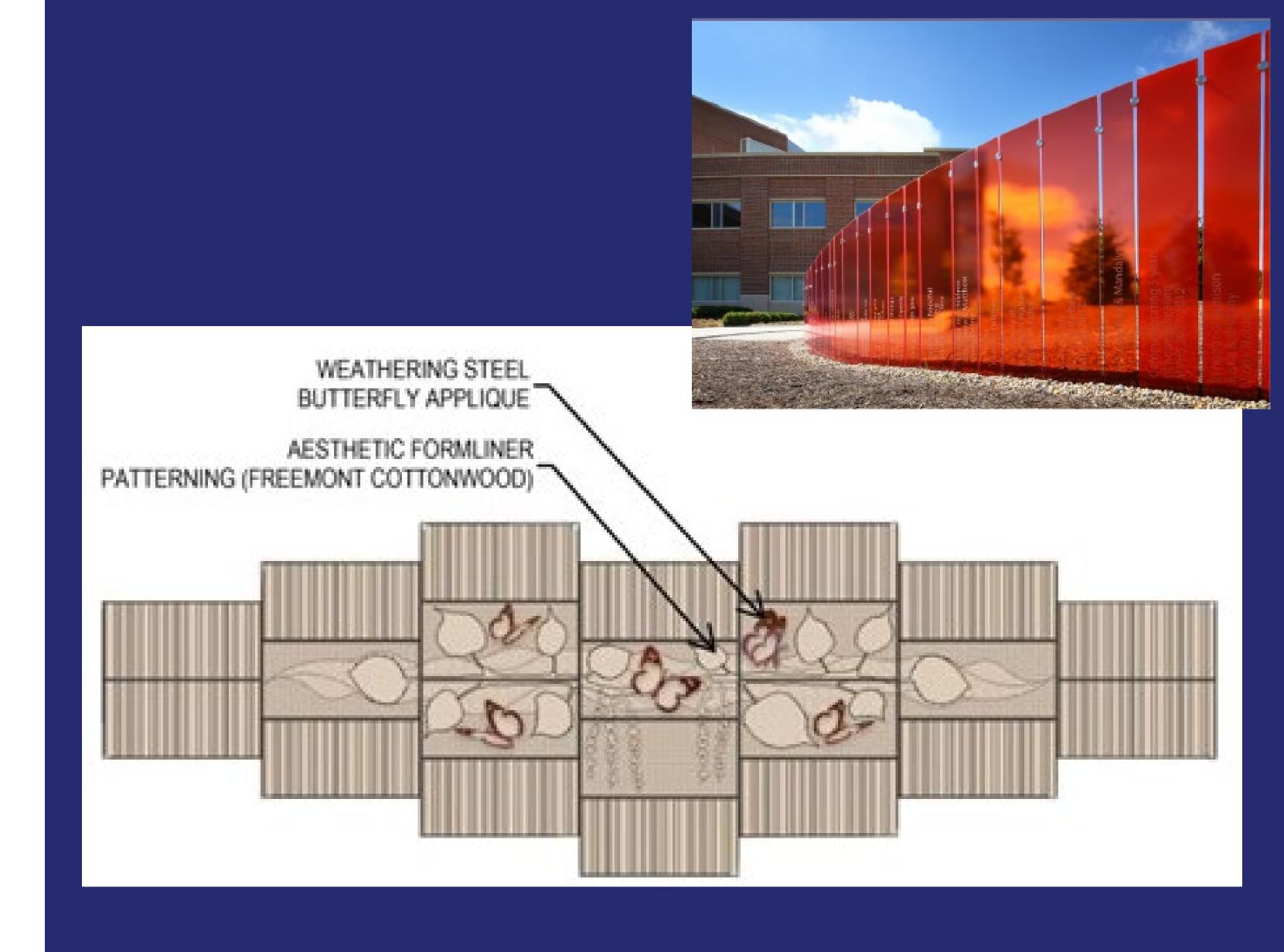
#### LANDSCAPING & AESTHETICS

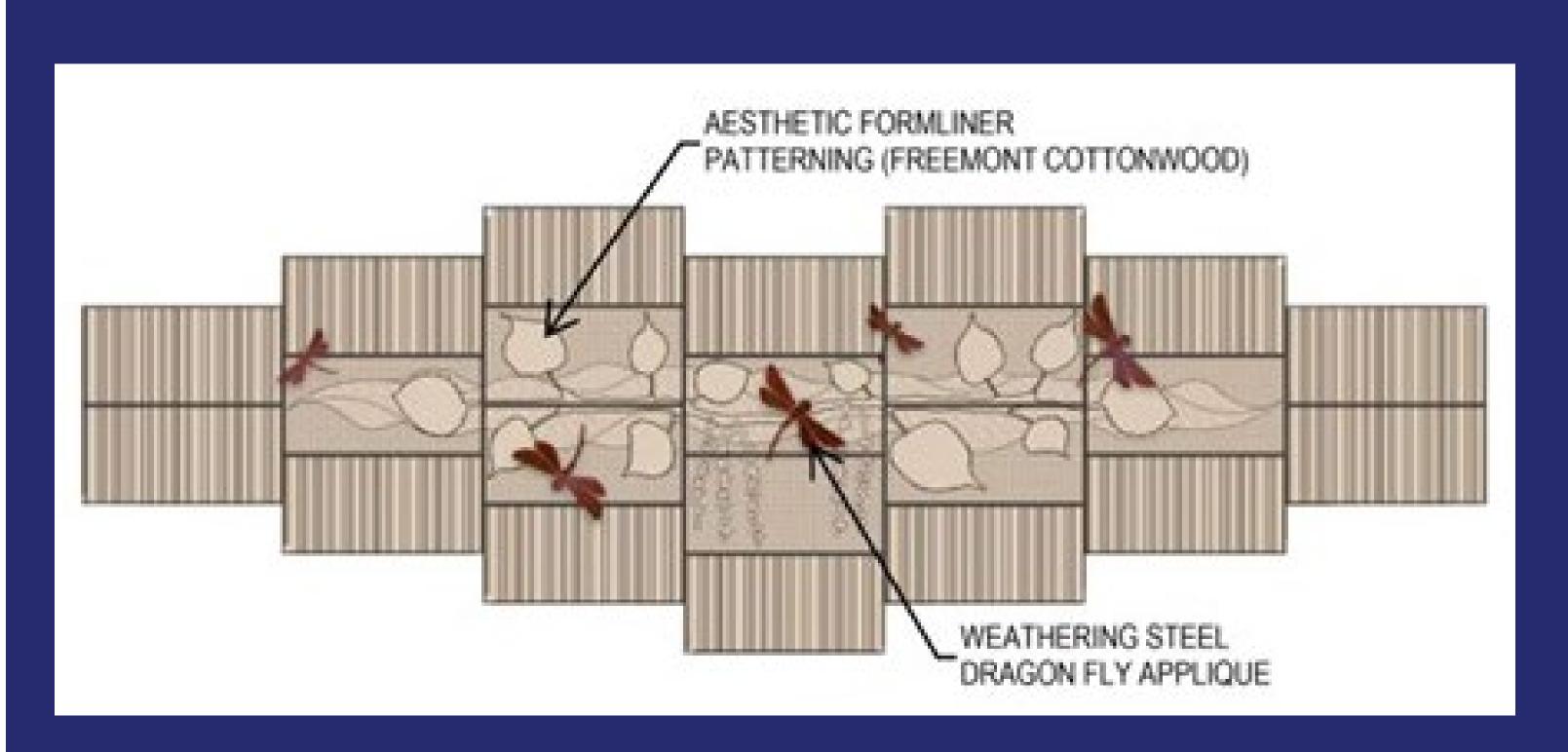
#### DESIGN CONCEPT

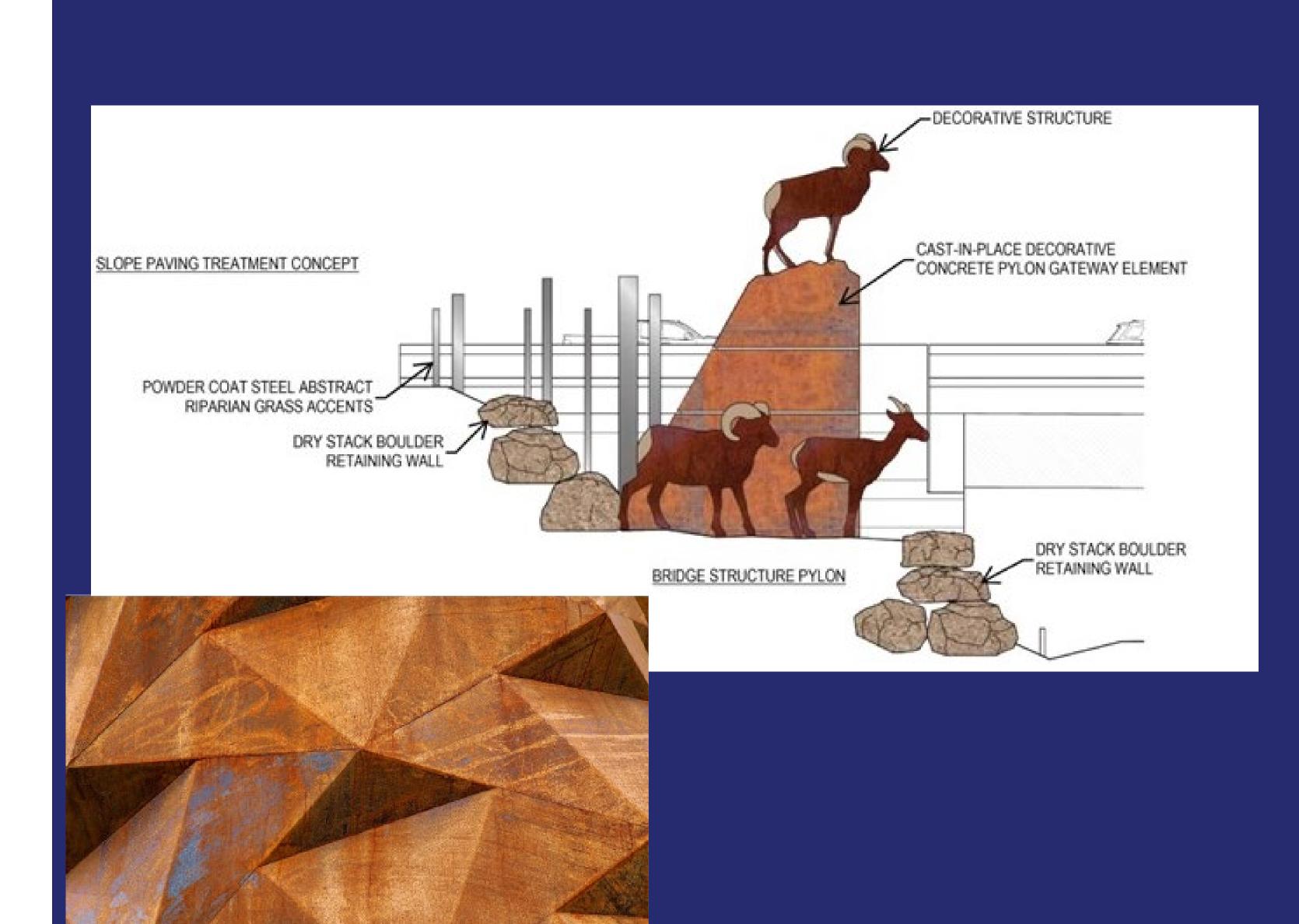
- Desert-inspired, modern urban aesthetics with native vegetation and resilient desert plants
- Natural landscape reflective of Mojave Desert and Las Vegas Valley

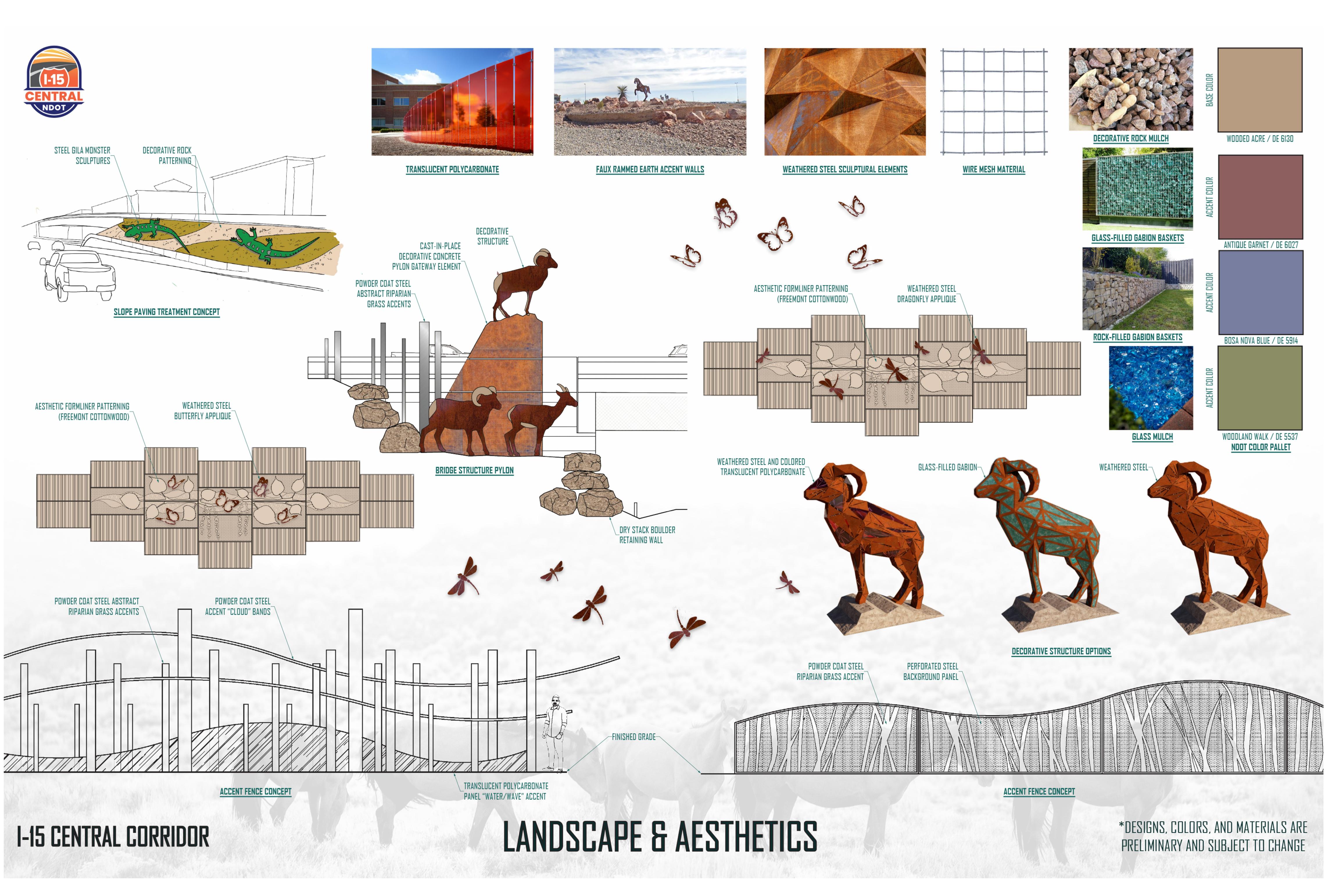
#### DESIGN GOALS

- Aesthetic continuity with existing design theme to tie into adjacent I-15 improvements
- Enhance overall experience for corridor users









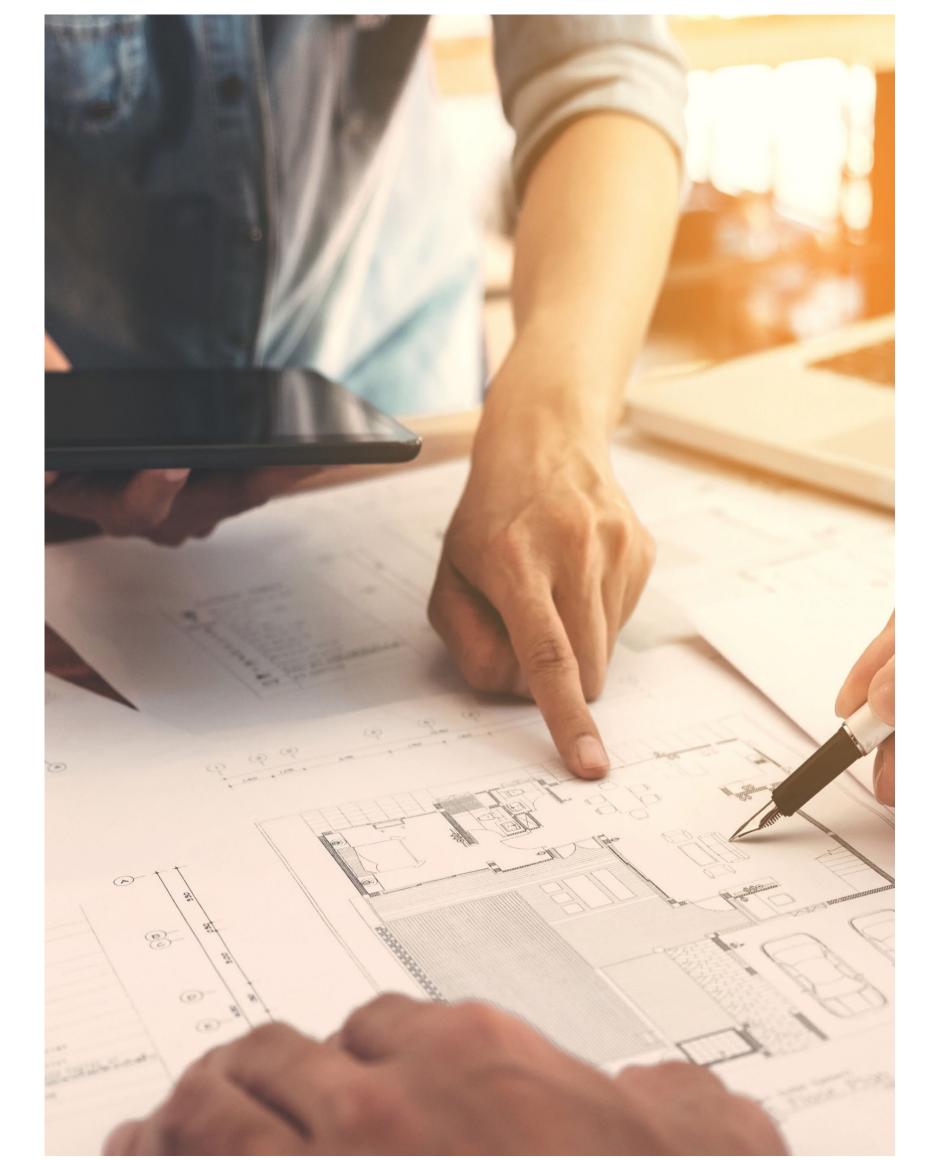


#### What is NEPA?

National Environmental Policy Act (1969)

#### Requires agencies to:

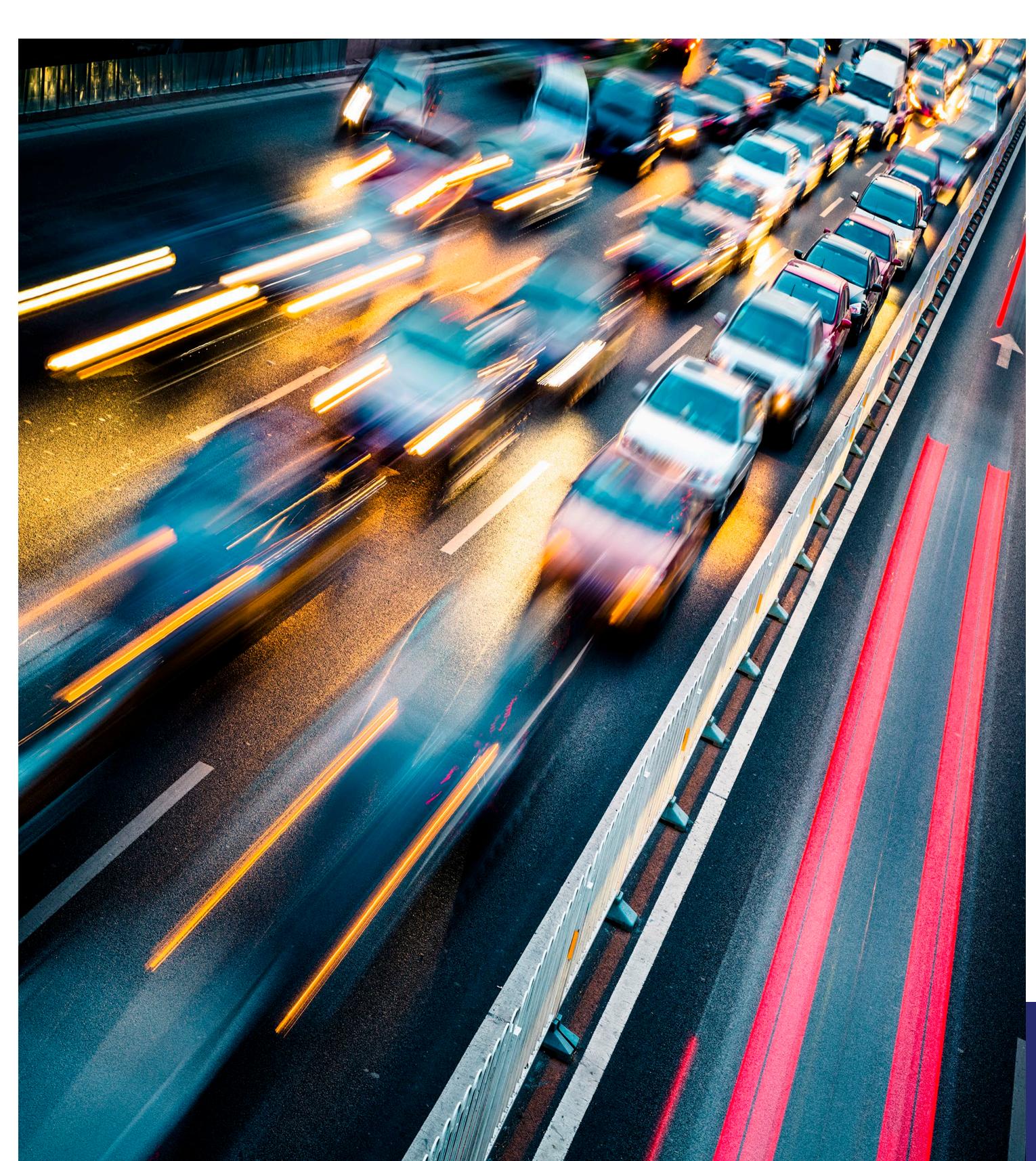
- Assess potential impacts before making decisions
- Consider alternatives that meet project purpose while minimizing environmental impacts
- Identify measures to mitigate environmental harm as needed before moving forward













## What Resources and Impacts Does NEPA Consider?

- Traffic Noise
- Public Parks/Recreation Areas
- Safety
- SocioeconomicConsiderations
- Visual Resources
- Water Quality/Hydrology
- Biological Resources
- Threatened/Endangered
   Species

- Access
- Air Quality
- Cultural Resources
- Environmental Justice
- Geology
- Hazardous Materials
- Historic Properties
- Land Use











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#### ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY PROCESS



#### OTHER ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- Public involvement, coordination with partner agencies
- Analysis of potential impacts on the human or natural environment
- Community and business survey

## ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SURVEY

#### Residential Survey

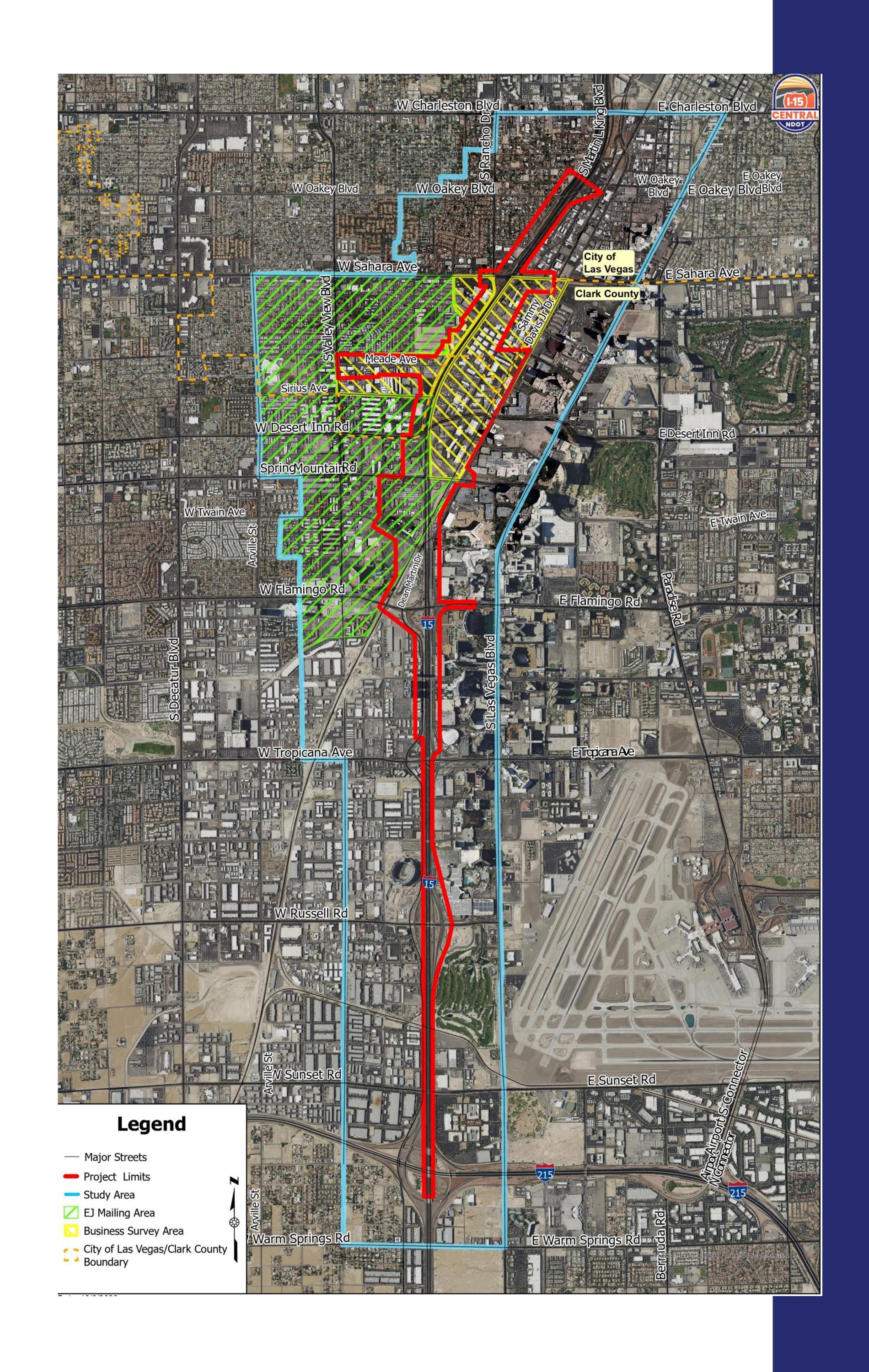
• Identify community demographics, needs, and travel patterns

#### Business Survey

- Understand local area businesses and needs
- Understand customers, employees, and how they get around

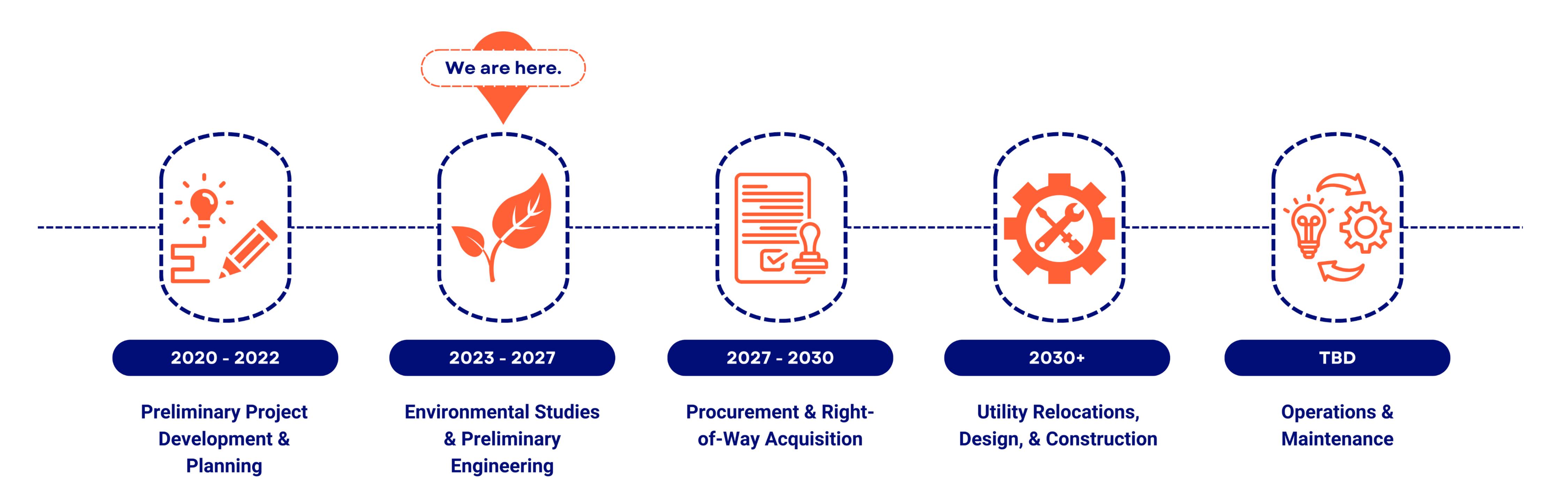
Schedule: Early 2024







#### PROJECT TIMELINE



- Resort Corridor Study: 2009
- I-15 South Design-Build: 2010
- RTC Transportation Investment Business Plan: 2016
- Southern Nevada HOV Study: 2018

- Project Neon: 2019
- Flamingo to Sahara Feasibility Study: 2021
- MLK Extension Study (CLV): 2021





# ONGOING STAKEHOLDER COORDINATION

- Strip resorts
- Local businesses
- Chambers of commerce
- Government agencies
- Adjacent projects
- Transportation organizations
- Local community
- You







## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- Will the freeway be widened?
- Will HOV lanes be incorporated?
- Which interchanges will be improved?
- Will there be enhancements to local roads?
- When will construction start and how long will it last?



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