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The City of Irvine and the Orange County

Transportation Authority are working together to improve traffic congestion and safety along Sand Canyon Avenue. The agencies have teamed up to build an undercrossing at the intersection of Sand Canyon Avenue and the Metrolink railroad tracks in Irvine. The project will lower Sand Canyon beneath the existing railroad tracks used for Metrolink and Amtrak passenger rail service and Burlington Northern Santa Fe freight service.

- The undercrossing will be built to the west and alongside the current Sand Canyon Alignment. The project will allow vehicles, pedestrians and bicyclists to travel safely under the railroad tracks and avoid delays from trains.
- Sand Canyon will be widened from four lanes to six lanes between I-5 and Oak Canyon Road.
- The project will rebuild the intersection at Sand Canyon and Burt Road, build retaining walls, add landscaping and relocate the Walnut Bike Trail.

- Total project costs are estimated to be \$56 million.
- Construction will be underway from mid-2011 to approximately late 2014.
- Construction safety is paramount. Slow down, be alert, allow extra travel time, watch for lane closures and detours and be patient during this construction period.

Local businesses are open during construction. For a complete listing of local businesses, go to cityofirvine.org/sandcanyon.