



Rice Avenue Fifth Street SR-34

GRADE SEPARATION OVER
UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD

FACTSHEET



*The City of Oxnard, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the County of Ventura, will construct **a new six-lane bridge on Rice Avenue** to grade-separate the Fifth Street/State Route 34 intersection and Union Pacific railroad crossing.*



This essential infrastructure improvement will realign Rice Avenue approximately 250-feet east of the existing Rice Avenue between Sturgis Road and Wooley Road. It will include a connector road, two new traffic signals, traffic signal improvements at Sturgis Road, Class II on-street bicycle lanes, sidewalk, and accessibility improvements.

Benefits to the Community

Through a grade separation, motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians will no longer cross over the railroad tracks, which will significantly enhance commuter safety.

In addition to enhancing safety, these improvements will also relieve congestion and reduce vehicle emissions, facilitate commerce by improving access to the Port of Hueneme, and enhance railroad operations including speed, efficiency, and reliability of passenger and freight trains.

Partner Agencies & Project Support

Caltrans District 7
Ventura County Public Works Agency
Union Pacific Railroad
Ventura County Transportation Commission
Contractor: Security Paving Company, Inc.
Construction Manager: MNS Engineers, Inc.
Design Support: HDR, Inc.

Multi-Jurisdictional Location

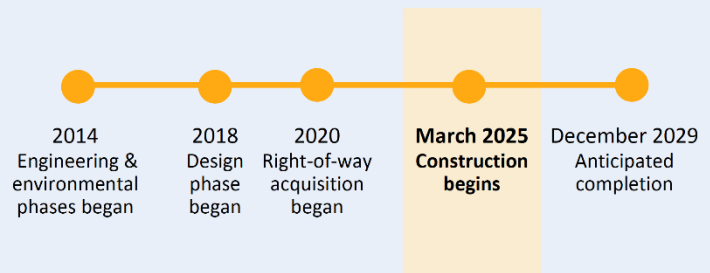
City of Oxnard – Rice Avenue from Sturgis Road to Fifth Street and Fifth Street 700' west of Rice Avenue

County of Ventura – Rice Avenue 1,800' south of Fifth Street

Caltrans – State Route 34 700' east of Rice Avenue

Construction Timeline

This project follows state and federal environmental regulations, federal-aid and state-aid funding procedures and right-of-way acquisition requirements. A total of 17 parcels were acquired, including temporary construction easements. After over 10 years of collaborative efforts amongst multiple agencies, construction is scheduled to begin in March 2025.



Project Funding

Total Investment: \$134.5M

Funded by State and Federal grants, including:
 \$106,969,000 - Trade Corridor Enhancement Program
 \$15,000,000 - Port and Freight Infrastructure Program
 \$5,000,000 - Grade Separation Program 190
 \$3,260,000 - Surface Transportation Program
 \$2,000,000 - Department of Water Resources
 \$1,500,000 - Safe Transportation of Energy Products
 \$771,000 - Development Impact Fees.

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