

## Thomas Roads Improvement Program

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### Public Scoping Meeting Scheduled for 24<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project

The City of Bakersfield, a cooperating member of the Thomas Roads Improvement Program (TRIP), invites the public to attend a Public Scoping Meeting for the 24<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project on April 30, 2008. The meeting will be held from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the Kern County Superintendent of Schools office, located at 1300 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Bakersfield.

The proposed 24<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project extends from State Route (SR) 99 to M Street and would provide improvements to the Oak Street/24<sup>th</sup> Street (SR-178) intersection, widen 24<sup>th</sup> Street between Oak and D streets, and make improvements to 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> streets between D and M streets. Various alternatives are under consideration, as well as a no-build alternative.

The public may stop by anytime within the three-hour period to view the exhibits, ask questions, and comment on the conceptual alternatives proposed to be studied during the environmental process. The City of Bakersfield and the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will have staff available to answer questions regarding engineering, environmental, right-of-way and project management. A court reporter will be available to take verbal comments or written comments may be submitted at the meeting or a later date.

TRIP is a cooperative effort between the City of Bakersfield, Caltrans, County of Kern, and the Kern Council of Governments. These agencies are committed to finding and implementing solutions that meet the region's long-term transportation needs. The 24<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project is an integral component in the overall goal of improving circulation throughout the greater Bakersfield area.

For additional information, please visit the TRIP website at [www.bakersfieldfreeways.us](http://www.bakersfieldfreeways.us) or contact Janet Wheeler at (661) 326-3491.

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