



## Press Release

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### **Elk Grove Interchange Reconstruction Projects Earn Top Honor**

Elk Grove, CA – The Sacramento chapter of the American Public Works Association has selected Elk Grove Interchange Reconstruction Projects for the 2009 Transportation Project of the Year Award.

The APWA Sacramento Chapter Awards Program recognizes projects that demonstrate excellence in management, administration, design, construction and community relations. The Grant Line and Sheldon Interchange projects will be recognized at the APWA Transportation Project of the Year Luncheon on Friday, August 14 from 11:30 to 1:30 at the Garden Pavilion at Lions Gate (5640 Dudley Boulevard, McClellan, CA).

"The Grant Line and Sheldon Interchanges were two of the most outdated bottlenecks in the region, and now both showcase modern transportation planning at its finest," said Mayor Pat Hume. "The City of Elk Grove is committed to relieving traffic congestion, and we hope the interchanges improve the quality of life for our residents who commute on these roads daily."

The Grant Line Interchange Project, an \$83 million capital improvement project funded 100 percent by local dollars, replaced one of the oldest interchanges on Highway 99. It is the first project to be constructed in the New Measure A transportation sales tax program. The new six-lane interchange now provides safer freeway access, improves local and regional traffic flow, and serves as an economic development asset for existing and future businesses in the southern part of the City. The project was completed in fall 2008.

The Sheldon Interchange Project is an \$80 million project slated for substantial completion by December 2009, and is funded by local, state, and federal dollars. The interchange construction will increase the flow of traffic by adding 4 additional travel lanes (as well as turn lanes) on the overpass. Along with other improvements, this allows for much-needed traffic relief and enhanced safety for motorists, cyclists, and pedestrians.

The Sacramento chapter of the American Public Works Association represents in 24 counties in Northern California. For more information about the association, visit [sacramento.apwa.net](http://sacramento.apwa.net). For more information about the Grant Line and Sheldon Interchange projects, visit [www.elkgrovecity.org](http://www.elkgrovecity.org) or call 916-478-2256.

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