



CAPPING 280 AT WINCHESTER

Reuniting the north & south sides of Winchester

With billions of dollars being invested in the Tri-Village area (Santana Row, Winchester and Stevens Creek area) and interest from Silicon Valley tech companies to bring jobs to the area, we have a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to improve the area for future generations with some truly big ideas.

We should be seriously investigating the idea of putting a “cap” over I-280 at Winchester. The cap could be as large as 30 acres stretching from the I-280/I-880 interchange west to the existing pedestrian overcrossing at Cypress.

The cap provides a blank canvas for multiple uses such as:

- Parks and open space
- High-rise housing that wouldn't shadow single family homes
- Parking that is decoupled from living (with last-mile solutions for transport to places like Santana Row, Splunk & Valley Fair)

There are multiple examples of freeway caps that have transformed neighborhoods and cities. Dallas' Klyde-Warren park being one such example of an effort that has attributed to a 10x increase in property values by reuniting its downtown and uptown.

These are long-term projects that require public-private partnerships and strong leadership. Interest from our community has been strong in exploring this thus far and we need to continue to get the word out, so that we can get VTA, Cal Trans and the local business community behind our efforts.

For more details about what is proposed and how you can help

<http://winchesternac.com/2016/05/06/put-a-lid-on-it-lets-reunite-the-neighborhoods-on-both-sides-of-i-280/>



An opportunity to beautify a large plot of land

Part of a North-bound 280 off-ramp solution to reduce congestion

“Creates” new land for multiple purposes

Creates a path for car-free, superblocs

Integrates with a Regional High-Speed Vehicle Corridor

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