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Workshop starts today on freeway connector project

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Sheldon residents will get a chance to speak out at a weekend-long design workshop starting today on how the area could look if Grant Line Road is turned into a four- to six-lane expressway.

The option is part of the Capital Southeast Connector project, an expressway that would join Interstate 5, south of Elk Grove, to Highway 50 in El Dorado County.

The connector is intended to reduce traffic on Highway 50, Interstate 5 and Highway 99 by allowing drivers to bypass downtown Sacramento.

The Joint Powers Authority, made up of officials from Elk Grove, Folsom, Rancho Cordova and El Dorado and Sacramento counties is overseeing this project.

The multiday workshop will be held in Elk Grove at the Sheldon Town Center at 8973 Grant Line Road, Suite 100.

The times are: today, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m.-noon and 1-4 p.m.; Sunday, 2-4 p.m.; Monday, 2-4 p.m. and 6-8 p.m.

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