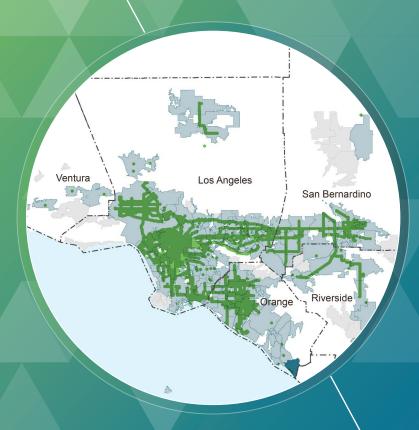
# Appendix A Existing Conditions Inventory



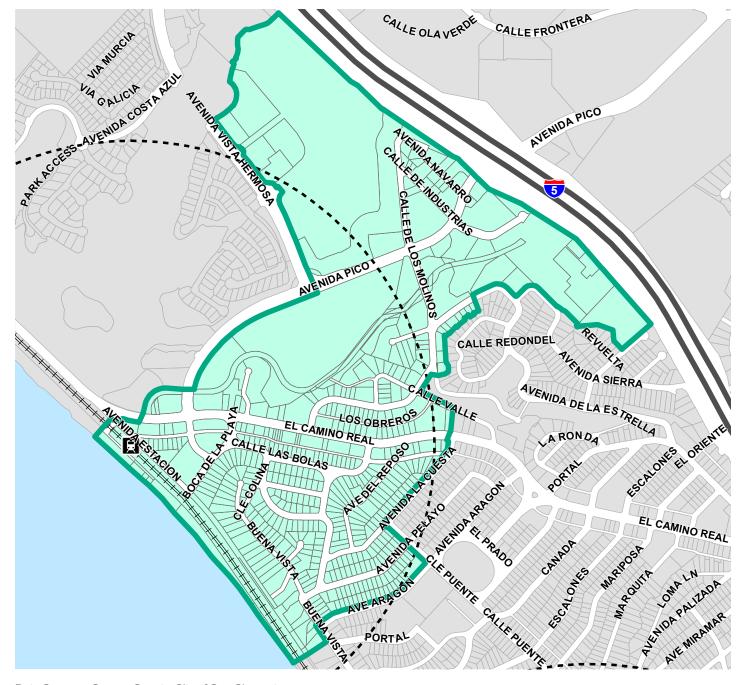
San Clemente HQTA Vision Plan



# San Clemente HQTA Project Area

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- The study area is located within the City of San Clemente
- The HQTA study area for the San Clemente Metrolink Station covers the area east of the station excluding much of the adjacent hills and includes all the parcels within the West Pico Corridor Specific Plan as well as the outlets north of the half-mile station area.



HQTA Study Area

Metrolink Station

Half Mile Station Buffer

Study Area Parcels

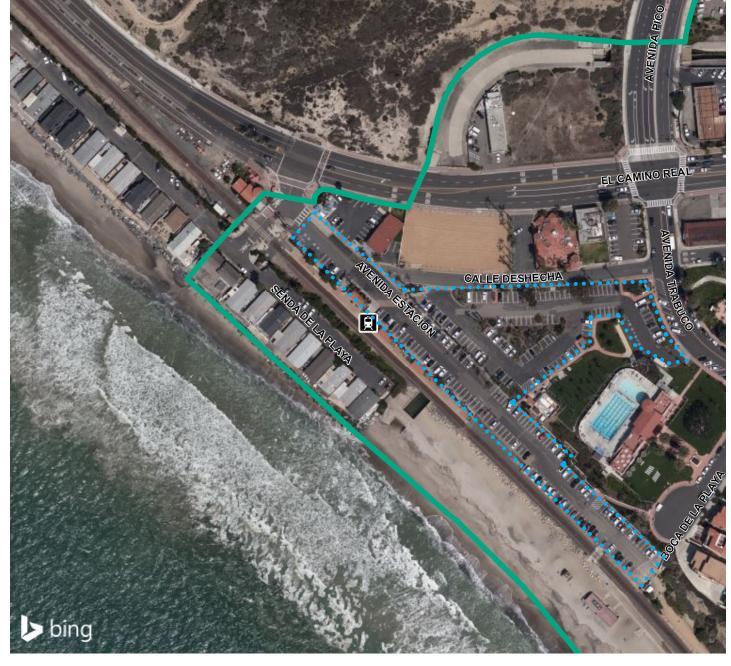
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Data Sources: Orange County, City of San Clemente

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- The study area is anchored by the San Clemente Metrolink Station, one of two Metrolink stations in the City.
- The station provides 142 parking spaces (13 handicapped spaces)
- The costs for at the lot are as follows: \$1 per day for commuters arriving prior to 9am, \$1.50 per hour for commuters arriving after 9am, \$50 for a resident annual parking pass, or \$100 for a non-resident annual pass.



HQTA Study Area

Metrolink Station

Parking lot boundary

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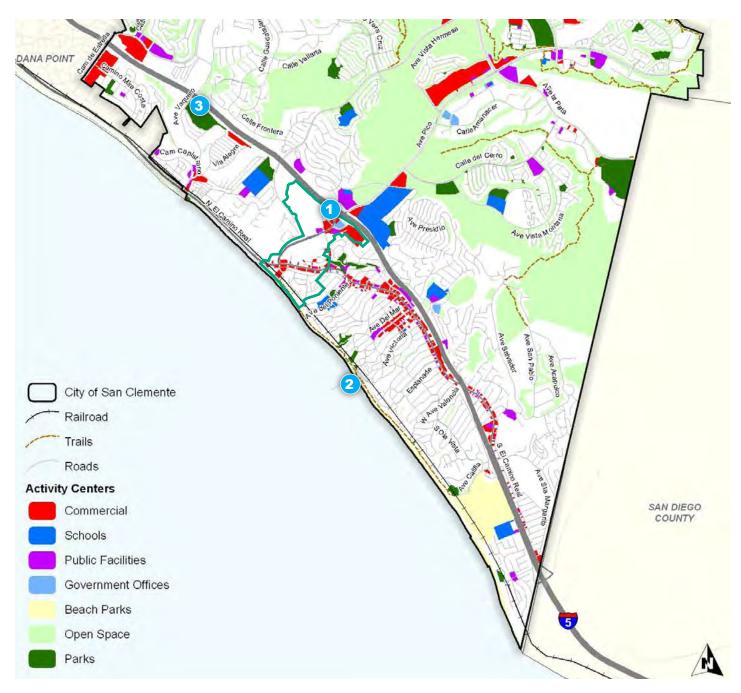
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Data Sources: Bing Imagery, Orange County, City of San Clemente, Metrolink

# **Activity Centers**

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- Outlets at San Clemente
- 2 San Clemente Pier
- 3 Shorecliffs Golf Course



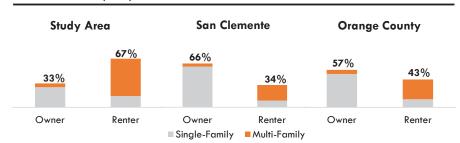
Source: San Clemente Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (2013)

- The City of San Clemente constitutes 2.1% of the land area of Orange County and accounts for 2.0% of its population. The Study Area is home to 2.6% of San Clemente's population.
- According to SCAG's growth projections, San Clemente will continue to lag Orange County's population growth rate. Historically, the Study Area has grown faster than both the City and County.
- Median household income in the City is significantly higher than the County's median income. The study area has a much lower median income than both the City and the County.
- Unlike the City, the Study Area is mostly renters. The Study Area is twothirds renters, whereas the City is two-thirds owners. The County has a more even split of renters and owners.
- Nearly 50% of the City's population has higher education degrees, which is significantly higher than the 30% in the Study area and 40% in the County.
- The population of San Clemente is nearly three fourths white, though the Study Area has a much higher proportion of its population that identifies as Hispanic or Latino.

| DEMOGRAPHICS (2018)                  | Study Area | San Clemente | Orange County |
|--------------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| Total Population (2018) <sup>1</sup> | 1,714      | 65,045       | 3,164,182     |
| Population Density (Per Sq. Mile)    | 3,571      | 3,405        | 3,338         |
| Annual Growth Rate <sup>2</sup>      |            |              |               |
| Historic (2012-2020)*                | 1.3%       | 0.4%         | 0.8%          |
| Projected (2020-2040)                | -          | 0.1%         | 0.3%          |
| Total Households (2018) <sup>1</sup> | 766        | 24,530       | 1,032,373     |
| Average HH Size                      | 2.47       | 2.65         | 3.06          |
| Annual Growth Rate <sup>2</sup>      |            |              |               |
| Historic (2012-2020)                 | 1.3%       | 0.4%         | 0.9%          |
| Projected (2020-2040)                | -          | 0.1%         | 0.3%          |
| Median Age <sup>3</sup>              |            |              |               |
| 0-17 Years                           | 22%        | 21%          | 23%           |
| 18-64 Years                          | 69%        | 61%          | 64%           |
| 64 Years and Over                    | 9%         | 17%          | 14%           |
| Jobs per Household <sup>4</sup>      | 1.3        | 0.9          | 1.5           |
| Unemployment Rate <sup>3</sup>       | 5.9%       | 4.7%         | 5.1%          |
| Median Household Income <sup>3</sup> | \$62,573   | \$105,812    | \$85,398      |

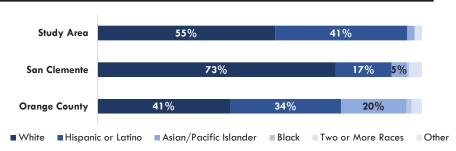
- 1 ESRI/ACS 5 Year Estimates for 2018
- 2 SCAG 2040 Projections
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- \*Historic Population Growth Calculated using ESRI estimated population between 2010-2020

#### **HOUSING TENURE (2018)**

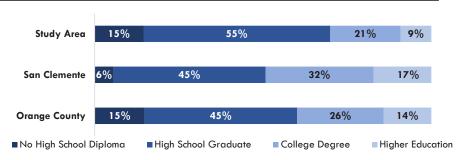


| MOBILITY (2018)      | Study Area | San | Clemente | Orange County |
|----------------------|------------|-----|----------|---------------|
| Average Commute Time | -          |     | 30       | 28            |
| Cars per household   |            | 1.9 | 2.1      | 2.0           |
| Public Transit users |            | 4%  | 2%       | 2%            |
| Solo Drivers         | 7          | 72% | 75%      | 79%           |
| Other                | 2          | 25% | 23%      | 19%           |

#### **RACIAL DEMOGRAPHICS (2018)**



#### **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT (2018)**

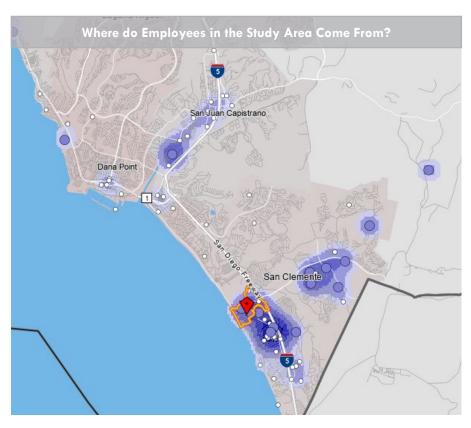


- The City has several dense employment centers, which are mostly retail
  and industrial. Two centers are in the Study Area: the San Clemente
  Outlets and the industrial park between Avenida Pico and El Camino Real.
- The El Camino Real corridor has significant retail activity, especially food and beverage.
- Of all jobs in Orange County, 1.4% are located in San Clemente. Of those jobs, 4.4% are located in the Study Area.
- According to SCAG employment forecasts, job growth in the City is likely to lag the County's rates. This trend is on par with historic growth trends.
- Residents of the Study Area are mostly employed in and around the City.
   Most people who work in the Study Area commute in from other areas.
- In the Study area, just over 50% of the population travels under 30 minutes to work. This is on par with commute times at the County level, though the City's population tends to have longer commutes.
- Employment in the Study Area is primarily Accommodation and Food Services, which is prominent in the City and County as well.

| EMPLOYMENT (2018)              | Study Area   | San Clemente   | Orange County   |
|--------------------------------|--|--|---|
| Total Worker Population        | 983  | 22,072   | 1,536,307   |
| Job Density (per sq. mile)     | 2,050  | 1,160  | 1,620   |
| Annual Growth Rate             |  |  |   |
| Historic (2012-2020)*          | 5.7%   | 1.4%   | 1.6%  |
| <u>Projected (2020-2040)</u>   | -  | 0.3%   | 0.5%  |
| Top Three Industry<br>Clusters | Accommodation and<br>Food Services (18.5%)<br>Professional, Scientific,<br>and Technical Services<br>(15.9%) | Support, Waste<br>Management and<br>Remediation(16.4%) | Health Care and Social<br>Assistance (11.1%)<br>Manufacturing (10.1%) |
| Course LELID                   | Retail Trade (13.8%)   | Construction (10.6%)                                   | Accommodation and Food Services (9.5%)                                |

Source: LEHD

Growth projections from SCAG







<sup>\*</sup>Historic Growth for Study Area Calculated using LEHD Employment Data between 2010-2018.

- Orange County, the City, and the Study Area all experienced significant growth in number of jobs between 2010 and 2018.
- The County lost the highest percentage of jobs in the Natural Resources industry cluster, as did the City.
- Construction experienced the most growth in the City and County, followed by Entertainment and Education and Medical.
- The City's growth most significantly outpaced the County's growth in Production, Distribution, and Repair, Retail, and Entertainment. It lagged the County's growth in Government and Knowledge-Based jobs.

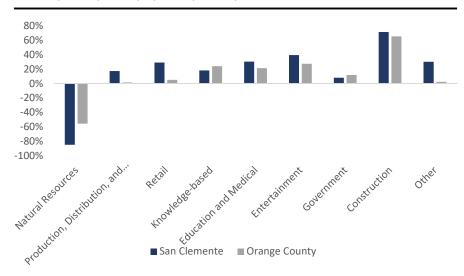
#### **HQTA OPPORTUNITIES**

- Through infill development, the Study Area, particularly along El Camino Real and Avenida Pico offer opportunities for unique, authentic main street development with a mix of retail, office, and residential opportunities.
  - The Study Area's current mix of businesses broken up by parking lots could be used for infill development, but small parcel size is likely a limiting factor.
- With the growth in medical employment, medical office could be an important tenant for commercial spaces on main streets.
- With limited access to existing residential, the Study Area would benefit from innovative ways to increase foot traffic. These could include tourism initiatives and programming based around the bike trail.
- There are currently a number of proposed projects along El Camino Real, which include "The Gallery," a commercial center, new restaurant construction, and new mixed-use development.
  - Development of one or more of these projects could help to create an anchor closer to the ocean and along El Camino Real to attract new visitors.
- There are potential opportunities for redevelopment of the
  underutilized industrial sites and self-storage site on Avenida Pico
  near its intersection with El Camino Real, though that redevelopment
  is unlikely to occur in the near future. There may be more near-term
  opportunities for redevelopment within the Calle de Los Molinos and
  Calle Valle industrial area.

#### **Employment Growth in**

| Industry Clusters (2010-2018) | Study Area | San Clemente | Orange County |
|-------------------------------|------------|--------------|---------------|
| Natural Resources             | -23        | -33          | -2,852        |
| Production, Distribution, and |            |              |               |
| Repair                        | 55         | 537          | 4,195         |
| Retail                        | 62         | 459          | 6,908         |
| Knowledge-based               | 121        | 536          | 63,176        |
| Education and Medical         | 55         | 603          | 49,293        |
| Entertainment                 | 10         | 810          | 40,849        |
| Government                    | -10        | 327          | 19,307        |
| Construction                  | 8          | 972          | 40,632        |
| Other                         | 24         | 179          | 983           |
| Total                         | 302        | 4,390        | 222,491       |

#### Percentage Change in Employment by Industry Clusters (2010-2018)



#### EMPLOYMENT INDUSTRY CLUSTER CLASSIFICATION

The classification is based on Center for Transit-Oriented Development 2010 Report. Natural Resources includes agriculture and mining; Production, Distribution, and Repair ("PD&R") includes manufacturing, wholesale trade, transportation and warehousing; Knowledge-based includes information, finance and insurance, real estate, scientific, professional, and technical services, and management of companies; Entertainment includes arts, entertainment, and recreation, and accommodation and food services, Government includes utilities, public administration and other administrative and support services, Other includes other services (excluding public administration).

Source: LEHD

## **Pedestrian Facilities**

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

According to the 2016 General Plan:

- Most of the streets within the study area are to be asphalt or concrete.
- El Camino Real is designated to have red PCC concrete while a few streets near the Metrolink station are to have brick pavers to create visual interest.



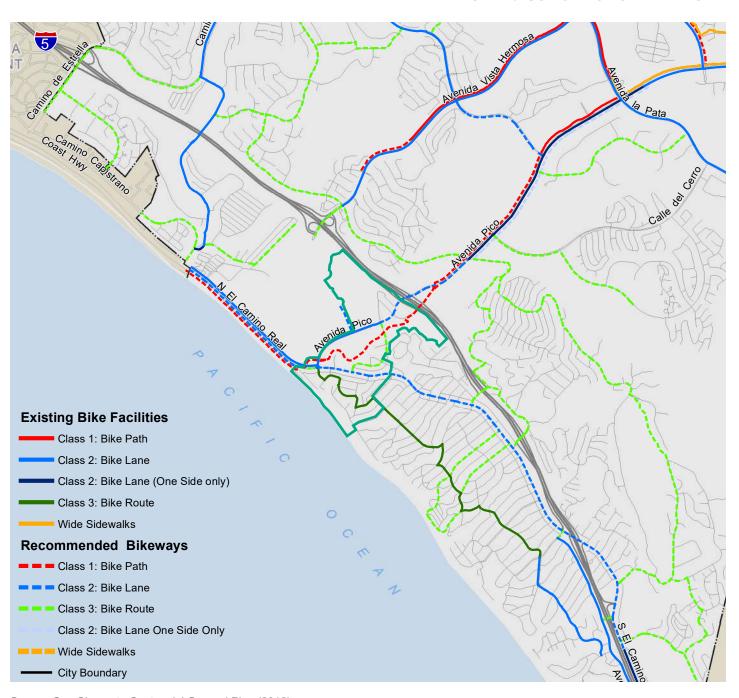
Source: San Clemente Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan (2013)

**Bicycle Facilities** 

**EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY** 

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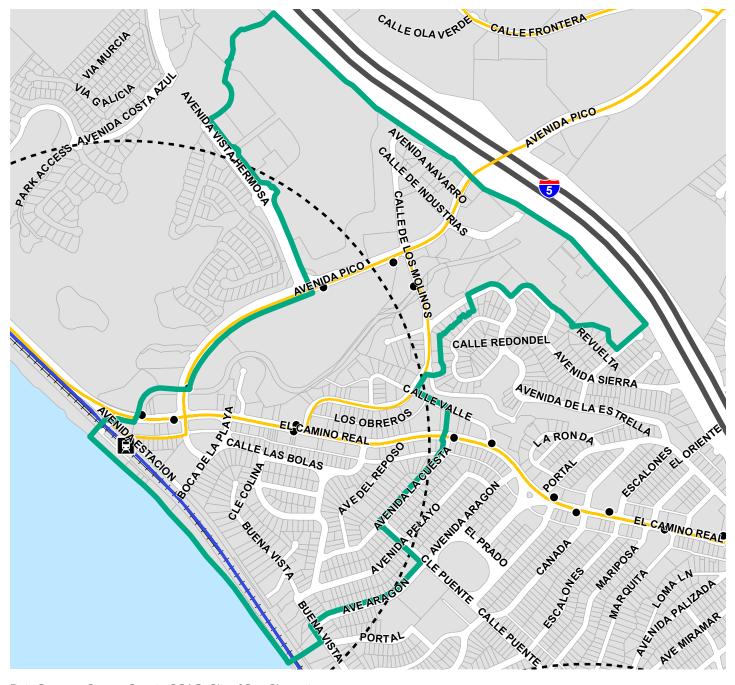
- A Class 1 Bike Path is proposed along the drainage channel.
- An extension of existing Class 2 Bike Lanes is proposed along El Camino Real.
- A Class 3 Bike Route is proposed along Calle De Los Molinos.

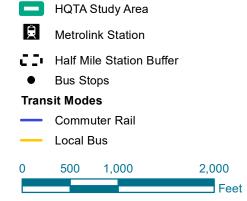


# **Public Transportation**

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- Aside from the Metrolink line, the other public transit in the study area is provided by Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA).
- Local bus service is provided as follows by OCTA Route 91 along Avenida Pico and OCTA Route 1 along El Camino Real.





Data Sources: Orange County, SCAG, City of San Clemente

## **Public Transportation**

- The San Clemente Trolley is a free public transportation ride services that only operates during the Summer. The season begins from Memorial Day weekend to the last Sunday in September. The system is made up of two routes, a Downtown Red Line and a North San Clemente Blue Line.
- Both Blue and Red Lines run within the HQTA. The Blue Line stops at the Outlets at San Clemente and the North Beach Metrolink Station within the HQTA. The Red Line stops at the Outlets at San Clemente, Avenida Vista Hermosa, El Camino Real & Calle de Los Molinos, and North Beach Metrolink Station within the HQTA.
- The trolley consists of approximately15 minute headways. Table 1 shows the Blue Line 2019 ridership by stops and Table 2 shows the Red Line 2019 ridership by stops, both within the HQTA. The trolley was suspended in 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

Table 1 – Blue Line 2019 Ridership by Stop

| Stop<br>Number | Stop Name                     | Ridership |
|----------------|-------------------------------|-----------|
| 8              | North Beach Metrolink Station | 3,136     |
| 9              | Outlets at San Clemente       | 10,528    |

Table 2 - Red Line 2019 Ridership by Stop

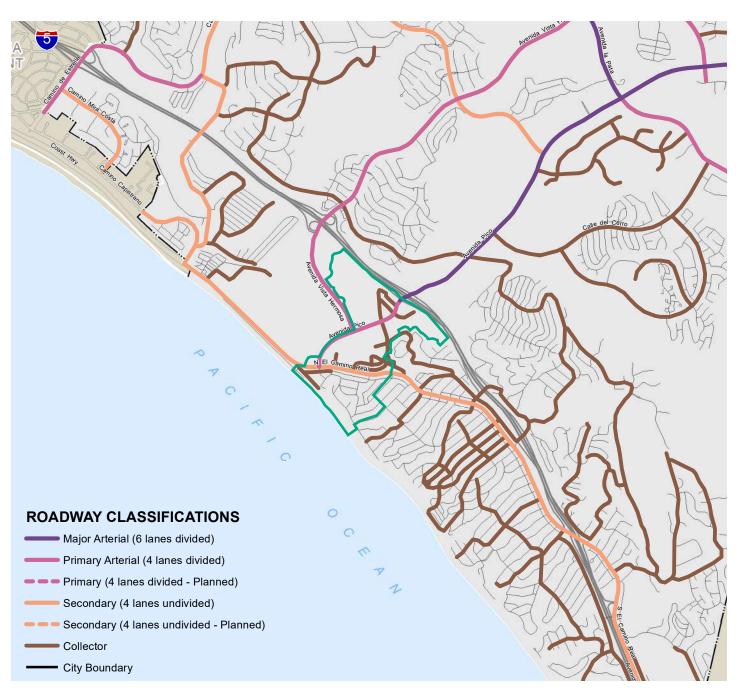
| Stop<br>Number | Stop Name                            | Ridership |
|----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| 7              | Los Molinos (WB)                     | 1,097     |
| 8              | North Beach Metrolink Station        | 6,549     |
| 9              | Outlets at San Clemente              | 42,548    |
| 10             | Avenida Vista Hermosa at Via Pamiona | 1,022     |
| 11             | San Clemente Metrolink               | 2,768     |
| 12             | Los Molinos (EB)                     | 3,583     |

# **Major Corridors**

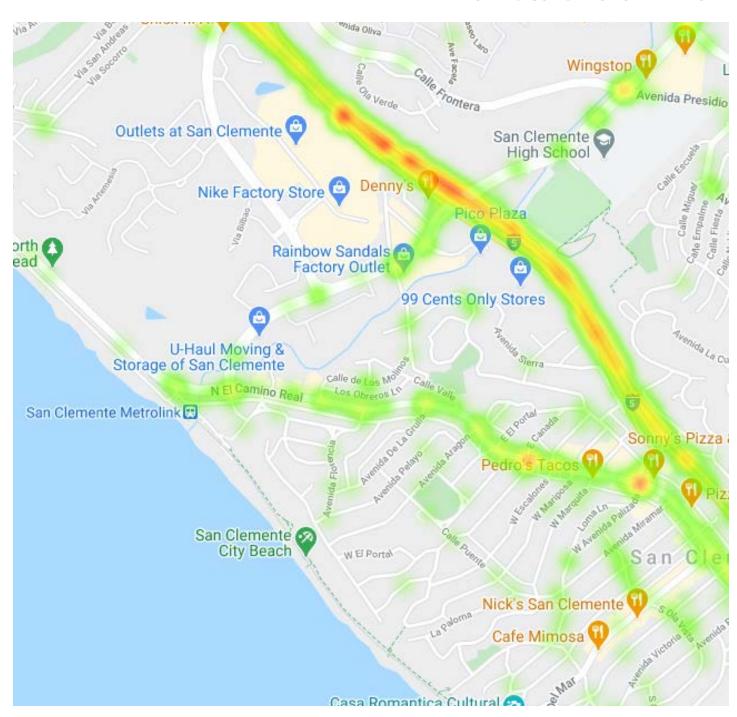
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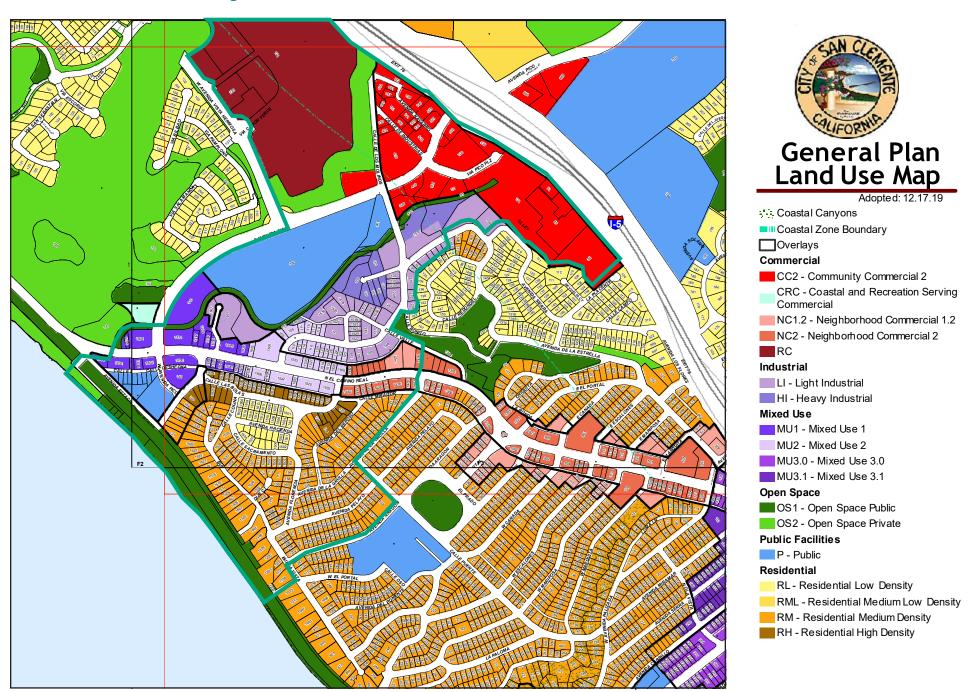
According to the 2016 General Plan:

- Many of the roadways in the study area are local streets
- El Camino Real is identified as a Secondary Arterial
- Avenida Pico is identified as a Primary Arterial
- A few other roadways connecting to El Camino Real are identified as Collector roads



 Most vehicle collisions in the study area occure along El Camino Real, with a few collisions along Avenida Pico near the Pico Plaza shopping center and the I-5 ramps.

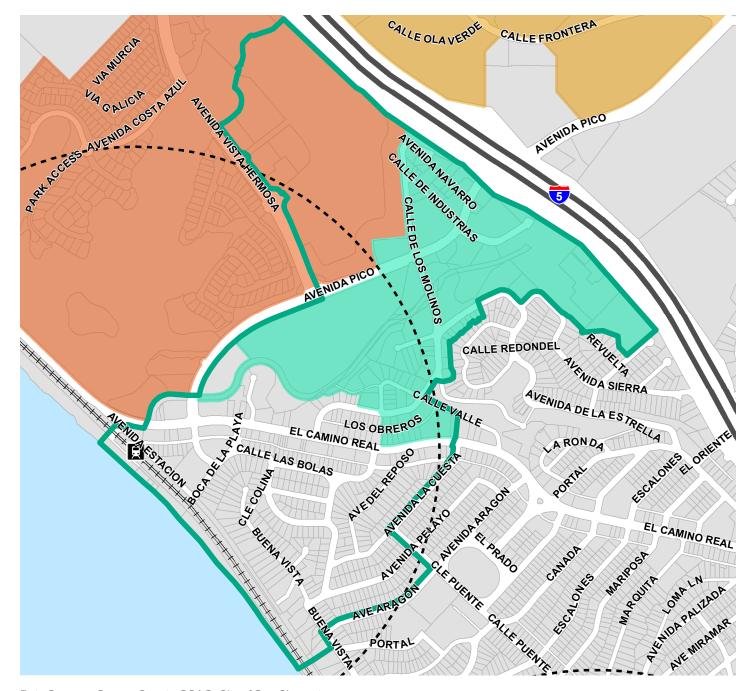




# **Specific Plan Boundaries**

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

The northern portion
 of the study area is
 governed by two specific
 plans: the Marblehead
 Coastal Specific Plan and
 the West Pico Corridor
 Specific Plan.



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Metrolink Station

Half Mile Station Buffer

Specific Plan Boundary

Marblehead Coastal Specific Plan

Marblehead Inland Specific Plan

West Pico Corridor Specific Plan

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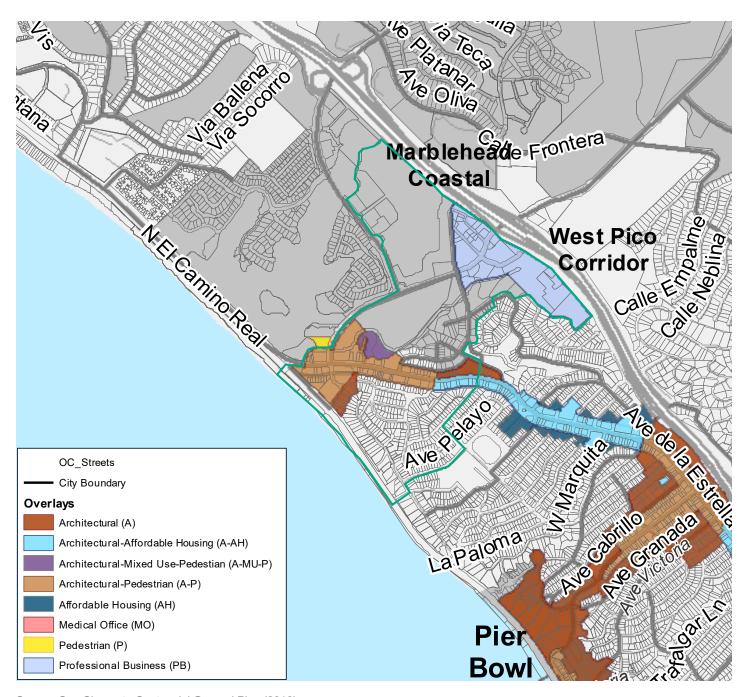
Data Sources: Orange County, SCAG, City of San Clemente

# **Overlay Zones**

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

According to the 2016 General Plan several overlay zones overlap with the study area:

- The northeast portion of the study area is within a Professional Business (PB) overlay zone.
- The portion of the study area near the station and along El Camino Real is within a Architectural-Pedestrian (A-P) overlay zone.
- Further east along
   El Camino Real the
   study area is within a
   Architectural-Affordable
   Housing (A-AH) overlay
   zone.
- A small portion of the study area is within a Architectural-Mixed Use-Pedestrian (A-MU-P) overlay zone.

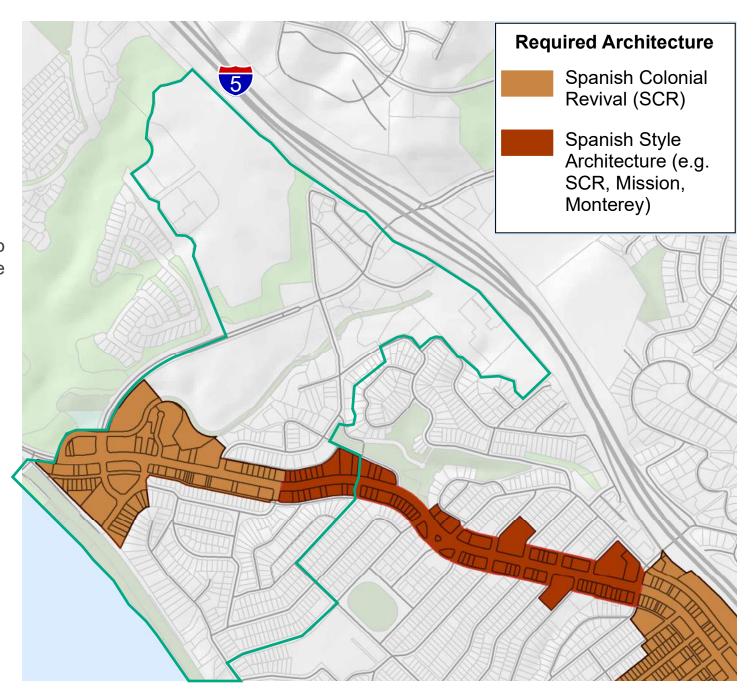


# **Architectural Overlay Zones**

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

According to the 2016 General Plan:

- Much of the area surrounding the Metrolink station is required to have Spanish Colonial Revival architecture.
- Parcels along El Camino Real at the eastern edge of the study area are required to have some type of Spanish Style Architecture.



Source: San Clemente Centennial General Plan (2016)

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# **Existing Land Use**

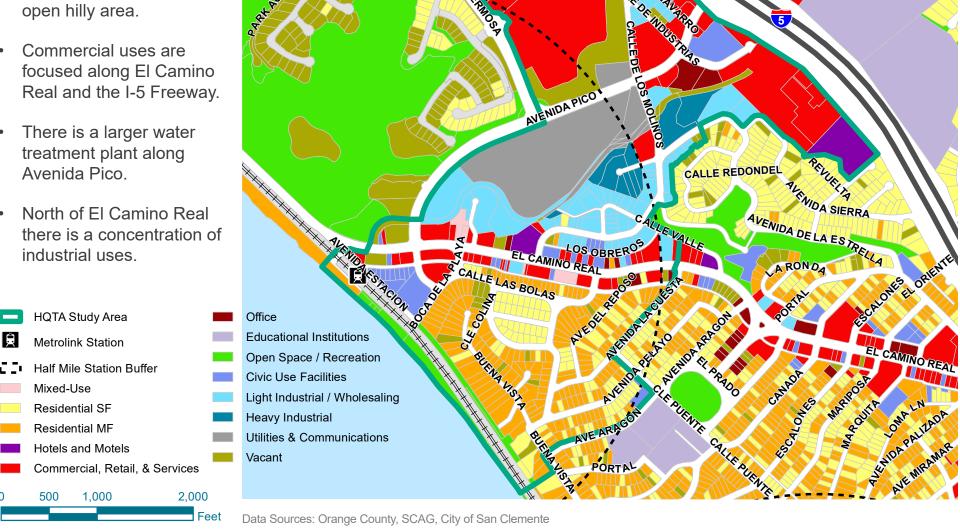
## **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

CALLE FRONTERA

AVENIDA PICO

CALLE OLA VERDE

- Much of the study area is multifamily residential with some single family residential interspaced.
- North of the study area and within a half mile of the station there is a lot of open hilly area.
- focused along El Camino
- treatment plant along
- industrial uses.

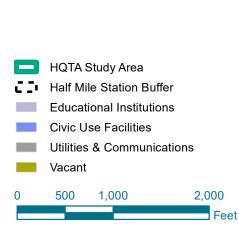


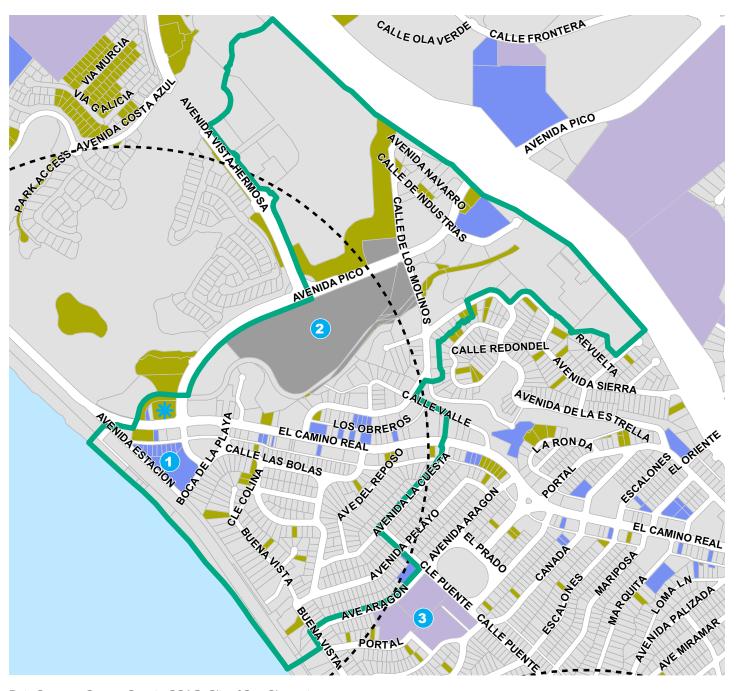
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## **Vacant Land & Public Facilities**

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- Many of the vacant parcels have steep slopes or otherwise difficult terrain to build upon.
- Transit Station parking & Ole Hanson Beach Club
- San Clemente Water Reclamation Plant
- 3 Las Palmas Elementary School
- \* Development proposed, see "Recent Developments" maps on the following pages.





Data Sources: Orange County, SCAG, City of San Clemente

# **Recent Developments**

- 6 The Gallery. Proposed commercial center on a vacant 1.80-acre parcel in North Beach.
- 9 North El Camino Real Mixed Use. Addition to existing one-story commercial building to create 1st floor commercial space with one residence above.
- 18 **Publik House.** A request to adapt the historic San Clemente Art Supply building into a multi-use building comprised of a special events venue, café, and office space.
- 21 La Colombiana Restaurant Expansion. A request to expand the existing restaurant.
- 27 Beach Hut Deli. A façade remodel at the former Kaylani Coffee building at North Beach.
- Under Review
  Approved
  Under Construction
  Completed

39 Los Molinos Beer Co.

Exterior building façade remodel and beer and wine license for a new microbrewery and tasting room.

41 Miramar Event Center and Restaurants. Rehabilitate and adaptively reuse the historic Miramar Theater into a performance and event center.

53 **OC Fresca.** Rehabilitate the historic Aquarium Café building and request live acoustic entertainment and alteration to hours of operation for alcohol service.



**EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY** 

Data Sources: City of San Clemente (2021)

# **Recent Developments**

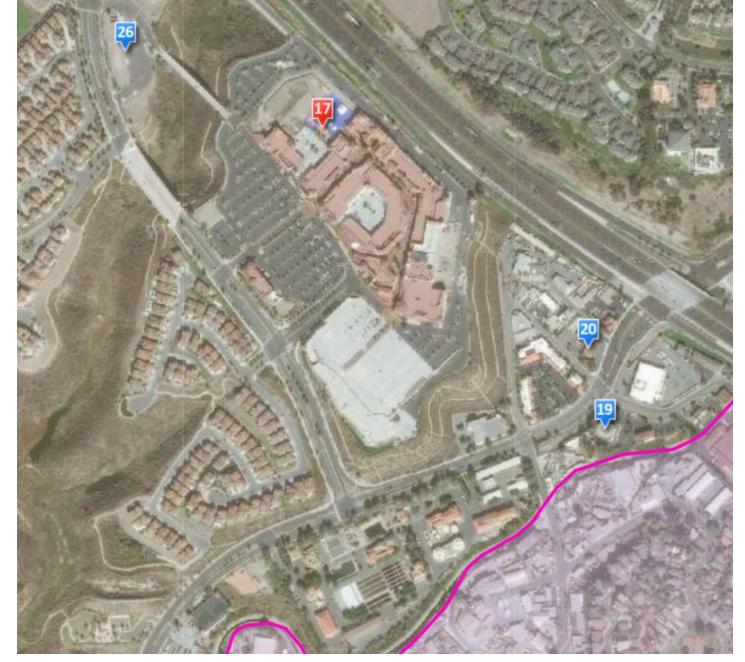
#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- 17 The Lodge Rooftop Venue.

  A request to increase the allowable height for the zone to allow for a rooftop bar/ venue at the Lodge at San Clemente.
- 19 Pico Plaza In-N-Out.

  Demolition of an existing two-story office building and construction of a onestory In-N-Out drive-thru restaurant.
- 20 Chevron Convenience
  Store and Car Wash.

  A request to demolish
  the existing convenience
  store and build a new
  convenience store and new
  car wash.
- 26 Outlets Buildings. A request to modify the approved site plan for undeveloped buildings 9, 10 & 11.



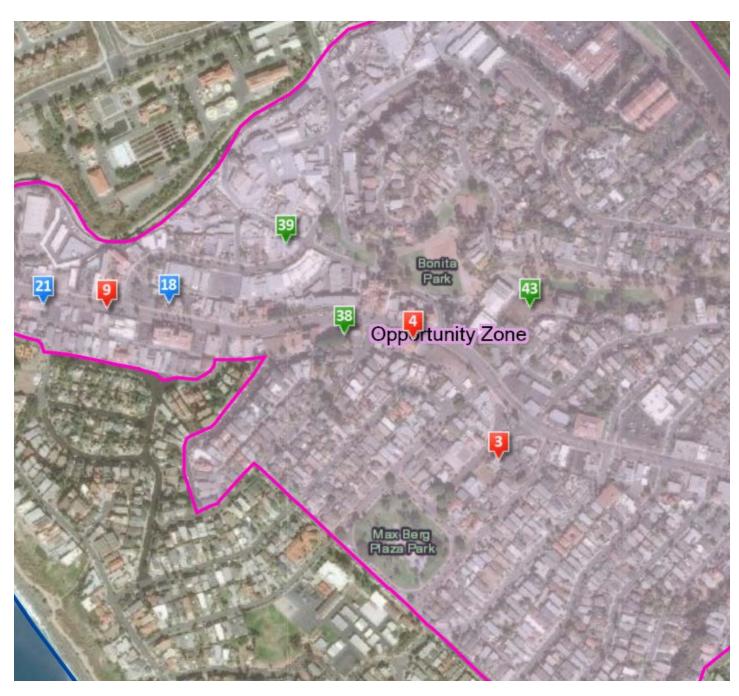
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## **Recent Developments**

#### **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- 3 SC Ranch Market
  Remodel. A request to
  remodel the exterior of
  an existing commercial
  building, and construct a
  new attached storage area,
  new attached patio cover,
  and new detached kiosk.
- 4 Chabad Jewish Center Addition/Remodel. A request for small addition and interior and exterior remodel of the existing Chabad Jewish Center.
- 38 North Beach Bed and Breakfast. New building to include a residence and 3 guest rooms.
- 43 La Ronda Apartments.
  Construction of a six-unit apartment building on a vacant site at 109-111 La Ronda in the Residential Medium (RM) Zone.



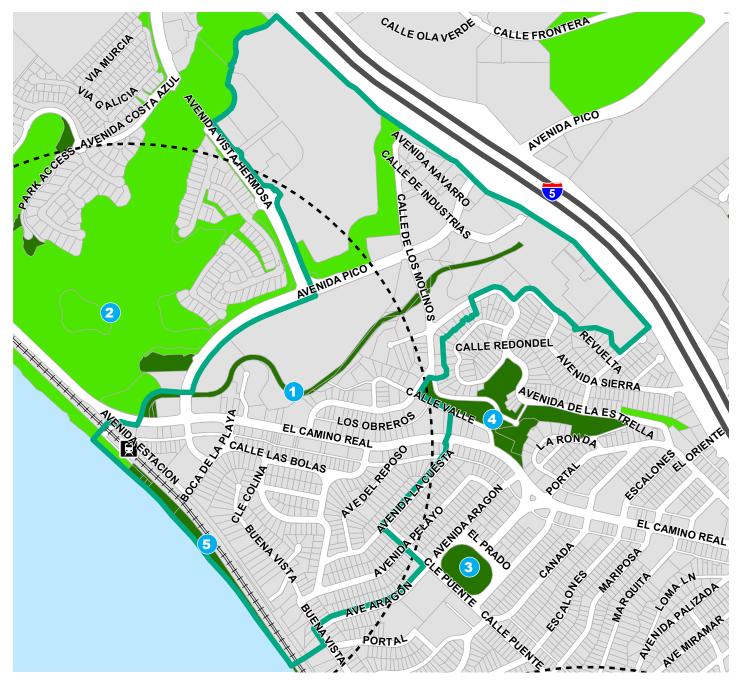


Data Sources: City of San Clemente (2021)

# **Open Space**

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

- Drainage channel
- Protected area
- Max Berg Plaza Park
- Bonito Canyon Park
- San Clemente Pedestrian Beach Trail





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Data Sources: Orange County, SCAG, City of San Clemente

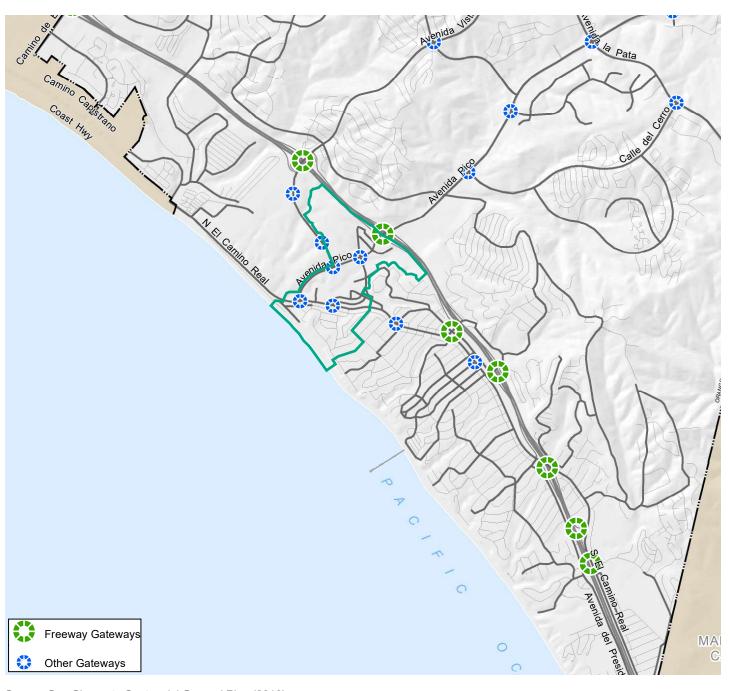
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**Gateways** 

**EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY** 

The 2016 General Plan identified several gateways within the study area:

- (2) along Avenida Vista Hermosa
- (1) at the El Camino Real / Avenida Pico intersection
- (1) at the Avenida Pico / Avenida Vista Hermosa intersection
- (1) at the Avenida Pico / Calle de los Molinos intersection
- (1) at the El Camino Real / Calle de los Molinos intersection





According to the 2016 General Plan:

- Avenida Pico is identified as a Major Urban Corridor
- A portion of El Camino Real is identified as a Minor Recreation Corridor

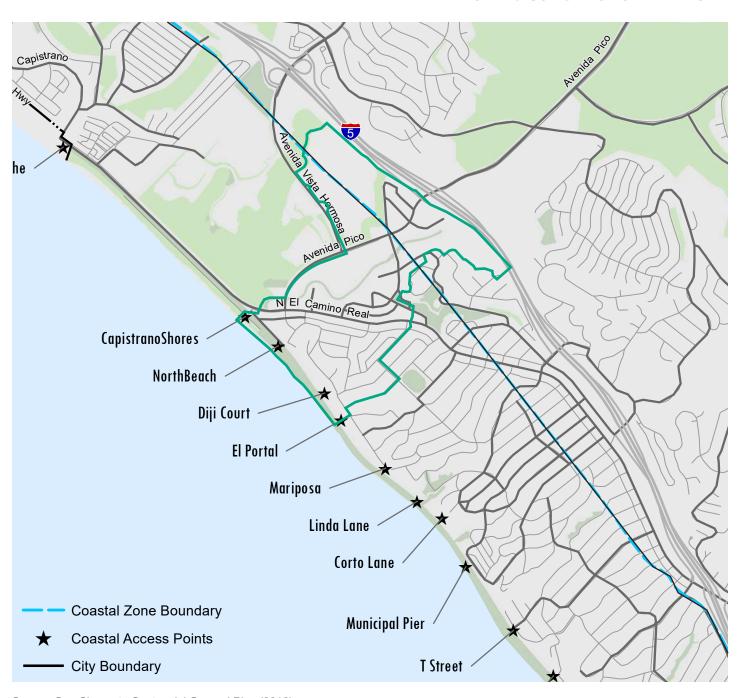


**Coastal Access Points** 

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

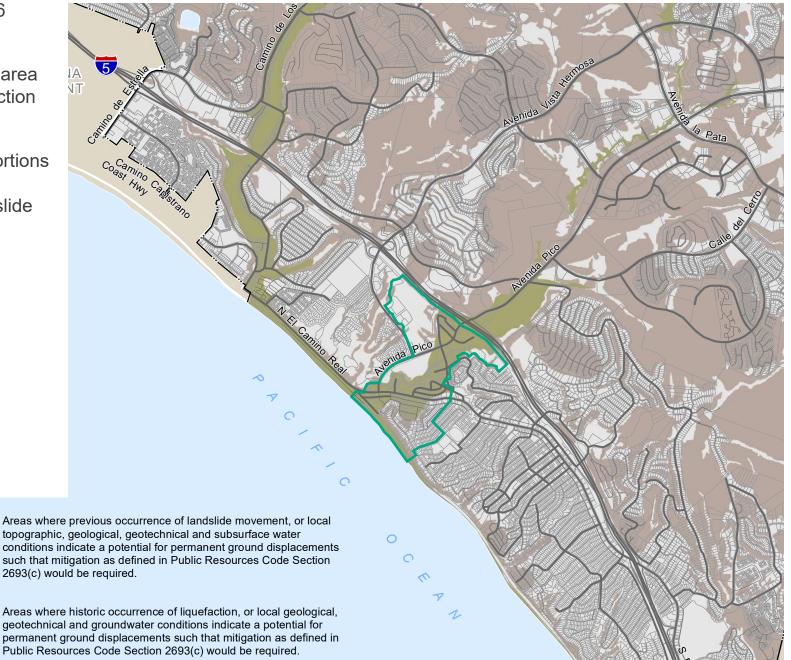
According to the 2016 General Plan there are four Coastal Access Points:

- Capistrano Shores
- North Beach
- Diji Court
- El Portal



According to the 2016 General Plan:

- Much of the study area is within a Liquefaction Zone Area
- There are small portions of the study area identified as Landslide **Zone Areas**



Liquefaction Zone Area

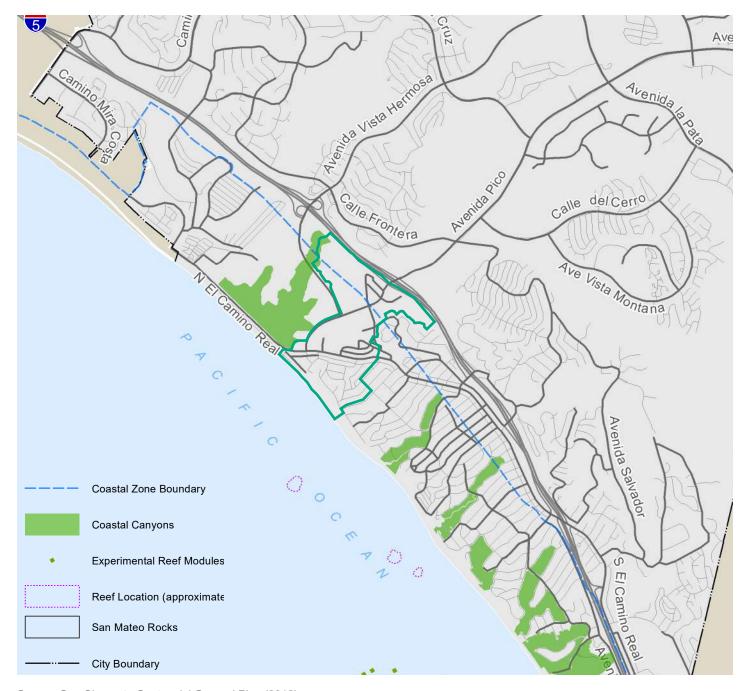
Landslide Zone Area

geotechnical and groundwater conditions indicate a potential for permanent ground displacements such that mitigation as defined in Public Resources Code Section 2693(c) would be required.

# **Coastal Zone and Environmentally Sensitive Habitat Areas**

## **EXISTING CONDITIONS INVENTORY**

 Nearly all of the study area is within the Coastal Zone Boundary.



- Portions of the study area near the shoreline and near the I-5 freeway are within the 500 Year Flood Hazard area.
- The area directly around the drainage channel are within the 100 Year Flood Hazard area.

