



Lower the **railroad** tracks in a **trench** through the Village to improve safety, community connectivity, quality of life and economic value.

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Strategy #1

Preliminary Technical and Economic Analysis

In conjunction with SANDAG, complete preliminary design alternatives engineering, an economic impact study, and a groundwater elevation study to inform the Carlsbad Village Double Track Railroad Trench Alternative Project Study Report. This work will be completed by October 2016 with a budget of \$250,000.

Work in future years estimates that the environmental review will be initiated in FY 2017-18, with the completion of the environmental document and project approval expected in FY 2018-19, followed by the preparation of construction documents in FY 2019-20, allowing for bidding and contract award in FY 2020-21.

Strategy #2

Collaborate with Local, Regional, State and Federal Stakeholders to Advance Project and Develop Funding Strategy

Engage local and federal transportation lobbyists, utilize the city's state lobbyist, and secure a grant writer to identify potential sources of funds and submit grant applications. Initiate outreach and collaboration with rail owners and operators (NCTD, BNSF and AMTRAK), and continue collaboration with SANDAG, other agencies and local stakeholders in pursuit of a railroad trenching project between Agua Hedionda and Buena Vista lagoons. This work will continue beyond this fiscal year, and the fiscal year budget is estimated at \$150,000.