

**When will Poinsettia Lane be completed?**

The roadway and bridge construction will likely be completed in mid 2020, which is ahead of the initial December 2020 date.

**Once Poinsettia Lane is completed, how will traffic be impacted in surrounding neighborhoods?**

The City Council proactively tasked staff members to conduct a traffic study to evaluate existing traffic conditions in the area and develop recommendations, as needed, to maintain road safety for neighborhoods adjacent to the roadway completion.

The study is complete, and it incorporates feedback from the neighborhood traffic workshop hosted by the City of Carlsbad on Nov. 7, 2018. As reported in the survey, the Poinsettia Lane completion project is expected to reduce some traffic volumes on Ambrosia Lane, Aviara Parkway and Cassia Road. It also establishes baseline data points for comparing future traffic patterns after the roadway extension and bridge are completed.

**Will there be any signals installed as part of the new road?**

Yes, as recommended by the traffic study, there are signals planned at the intersections of Poinsettia Lane/Cassia Road and Poinsettia Lane/Oriole and Skimmer Courts, as well as the entrance to the Poinsettia 61 development. The City Council approved funding for these signals on Nov. 19, 2019.

**Are there any concerns about cut-through traffic?**

It is expected that existing cut-through traffic will divert to Poinsettia Lane as the most efficient and direct route of travel. The study notes a few select routes as potentially needing future monitoring for prospective cut-through traffic. The city is planning to monitor these routes after traffic has had time to adapt to the new Poinsettia Lane extension.

**How will the city manage potential speeding in the area?**

The traffic study suggests that most drivers maintain speeds under posted limits with one exception – westbound (downhill) traffic on Cassia Road between 4-7 p.m. Recommendations are included in the traffic study to minimize this pattern and are being evaluated by the city.

**When did you measure traffic for the study?**

Data informing the traffic study was gathered in the fall of 2018, a timeframe selected to accurately reflect school, weekday commuting, and typical resident traffic flows.

**What areas were included in the traffic study?**

The traffic study specifically evaluated cut-through traffic in neighborhoods surrounding Poinsettia Lane's planned completion. Key intersections were included to assess and project any potential impacts of traffic that could possibly cut-through neighborhoods.

Studied intersections include:

- Poinsettia Lane/ Cassia Road
- Poinsettia Lane/ Ambrosia Lane
- Cassia Road/ El Camino Real
- Poinsettia Lane/ Skimmer and Oriole Courts
- Poinsettia Lane/ El Camino Real
- Dove Lane/ El Camino Real
- Dove Lane/ Moorhen Place
- Mimosa Drive/ Moorhen Place

- Mimosa Drive/ Aviara Parkway
- El Camino Real/ Aviara Parkway and Alga Road
- Ambrosia Lane/ Aviara Parkway

### **What if I have traffic concerns after the road is opened?**

Any Carlsbad residents with residential traffic concerns are able to initiate a [Carlsbad Residential Traffic Management Program](#) (CRTMP) request. If program parameters are met and with neighborhood support, the city will investigate appropriate traffic management options. For more information on the program, visit the city's website.

### **Why does Poinsettia Lane need to be completed?**

The completion of Poinsettia Lane has been part of the City of Carlsbad's general plan for decades. Its completion will ensure Carlsbad residents have a safe and direct east-west route from Carlsbad Blvd/Interstate 5 to El Camino Real. Surrounding development was approved with the planned completion of Poinsettia Lane to serve as a main area thoroughfare. This project will benefit residents and businesses in the area while providing enhanced multimodal transportation options for all.

### **What is Poinsettia 61?**

Poinsettia 61 is the name of the development being constructed by Lennar on the land south of Cassia Road at Poinsettia Lane. The project was approved by the City of Carlsbad and California State Coastal Commission and is planned to include 123 single-family detached condominiums.

In addition to the homes, Lennar is completing Poinsettia Lane from Cassia Road to Oriole and Skimmer Courts. This road construction will include a bridge, which is designed to be over a wildlife and habitat corridor.

Lennar is also building a 3.1-acre park at Buena Vista Reservoir in addition to adding approximately 25 acres to the city's habitat management plan at Veterans Park, Aviara Park and at Poinsettia Lane.

### **What are the impacts to wildlife and the environment with Poinsettia 61 project?**

The City of Carlsbad supports environmentally sustainable and responsible development as part of its general plan and habitat management plan. The construction of Lennar's Poinsettia 61 project was approved after an environmental impact report was completed and approved. As part of the project, 25 acres will be added to the city's protected habitat and a 3.1-acre park will be constructed at the Buena Vista Reservoir, which was previously allocated for residential development. The Poinsettia Lane roadway completion includes a bridge that is designed to protect habitat and wildlife in the open space corridor beneath the bridge.