



## CITY OF BANNING STAFF REPORT

**TO:** CITY COUNCIL

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**MEETING DATE:** February 10, 2026

**SUBJECT:** Progress Report on the Hargrave Grade Separation - Design Phase

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**RECOMMENDATION:**

This report is for information and discussion only.

**BACKGROUND:**

The Hargrave Grade Separation Project is a long-standing priority for the City of Banning due to public safety concerns, traffic congestion, emergency response delays, and train horn noise. The project aims to eliminate the at-grade crossing of Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) tracks on Hargrave Street by constructing an overpass, thereby improving safety, traffic flow, and quality of life for residents.

The consultant team of Kimley Horn has prepared a Conceptual Design Report for the project, and will use the workshop to begin a public outreach phase to notify the public of the project, key design features, work to be completed, and very preliminary schedules and costs.

This report provides an update on the status of the project.

**JUSTIFICATION:**

This report will focus on the progress that has been made during the design phase.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

None

**ALTERNATIVES:**

N/A

**BUDGETED?:**

No

**CONTRACT/AGREEMENT:**

No