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Bass Lake Road, Serrano Parkway to be connected

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Time. It's what county and local officials who gathered at Serrano last Thursday believe locals will be saving when Serrano Parkway and Bass Lake Road are connected sometime next summer.

It's also the pressing issue for officials who understand the urgent need to ease congestion along the west 50 corridor.

"Like water, people tend to flow to the path of least resistance," El Dorado County supervisor Rusty Dupray told a collection of political and business leaders.

The county and Serrano developers have been rushing to provide better access for Serrano residents to Bass Lake Road, which has ramps leading to U.S. Highway 50.

It will also allow Bass Lake area residents a new route into El Dorado Hills, where parks and other amenities are accessed.

Dupray believes the project, which includes 2,200 feet of road at a cost of \$1.8 million to the county, is evidence of a new relationship between the county and El Dorado Hills.

"It isn't business as usual in El Dorado County," he said.

County Department of Transportation director Liz Diamond praised her staff, developers and community leaders for getting the project under way.

"I think our traffic picture in El Dorado Hills is going to improve," she said.



County and local officials used a clock to drive home the need for easing congestion on the Highway 50 corridor. They gathered last Thursday to break ground for the connection between Serrano Parkway and Bass Lake Road. Photo by Matthew Self, The Telegraph

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