



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date: July 15, 2016
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Ribbon Cutting: I-5 Carmenita Road Bridge Opening

WHO: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 7 and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro)

Confirmed Speakers:

Malcom Dougherty, Caltrans Director; **Carrie Bowen**, Caltrans District 7 Director; **Linda Sanchez**, U.S. Representative, Congressional District 38; **Loretta Sanchez**, U.S. Representative, Congressional District 46; **Tony Mendoza**, Senate District 32; **Ian Calderon**, Assembly Member District 57; **Supervisor Don Knabe**, LA County Fourth District and Metro Board Member; **Mike Mendez**, I-5 Consortium Cities and Joint Powers Authority and Mayor, City of Norwalk; **John Fasana**, Chair, Metro Board and Council member, City of Duarte; **Hector Santiago**, Federal Highway Administration Project Delivery Team Leader, Southern California; **David Moeller**, Captain, CHP Santa Fe Springs Station.

WHAT: Ribbon cutting for the I-5 HOV Carmenita Road Interchange Project

WHEN: Monday, July 18, 2016 at 9:30 a.m.

WHERE: Lowe's Home Improvement Store (Parking Lot)
14873 Carmenita Rd, Norwalk, CA 90650

DIRECTIONS: **Southbound I-5 (from Los Angeles):** Exit at Carmenita Road. Turn left, and turn left again into the Lowe's parking lot. **Northbound I-5: (from Orange County)** Exit at Carmenita Road and turn right. Turn left into the Lowe's parking lot.

PHOTO OP: The ribbon cutting ceremonial photo shot will take place at the end.

PROJECT: The \$417.12 million Carmenita Road Interchange Project extends through the cities of Santa Fe Springs and Norwalk from Alondra Boulevard to Shoemaker Avenue. The freeway improvements included replacing and reconstructing the existing two-lane overcrossing with a 10-lane (five lanes each direction) structure, and reconfiguring the Carmenita Road interchange at the I-5. The project reconfigured the on- and off-ramps, and realigned frontage roads. The Carmenita Road Interchange Project is one of six segments in construction as part of the \$1.6 billion I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects, extending seven miles from the Los Angeles/Orange County line to the San Gabriel River Freeway (I-605).

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