



# NEWS RELEASE

**Today's Date:** Monday, August 3, 2015

**District:** 05 – Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties

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## **HIGHWAY 46 EAST WIDENING BETWEEN ALMOND DRIVE AND MCMILLAN CANYON ROAD CONTINUES WITH OVERNIGHT PAVING THIS WEEK**

**SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY** – The widening of Hwy. 46 East from Almond Drive to McMillan Canyon Road (State Route 41) will continue with a grind and pave operation beginning Monday, Aug. 3 through Friday morning Aug. 7 during the overnight hours from **7 pm until 6:30 am**. Motorists can expect delays not to exceed 20 minutes.

This project will improve Hwy. 46 East from a two-lane divided highway to a four lane expressway with two lanes in each direction. The contractor for this \$38 million project is Papich Construction of Pismo Beach, CA. This project is expected to be completed this fall.

The widening of Hwy. 46 East from Geneseo Road to east of Almond Drive was completed in the fall of 2014. The first phase of widening Hwy. 46 East from Airport Road to Geneseo Road was completed in 2010. The widening of Hwy. 46 East from McMillan Canyon Road to West of Lucy Brown Road is scheduled to begin in early 2016.

**Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway construction zones.**

For traffic updates on other state highways in San Luis Obispo County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or can visit the District 5 website at: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road\\_information.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road_information.htm)

