



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

LA PURISIMA ROUNDABOUT PROJECT ON HIGHWAY 246 NOW UNDERWAY

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY– A project to construct a single lane roundabout and widen the intersection on Hwy. 246 at La Purisima Road is now underway. Motorists will encounter one way reversing traffic control Monday through Friday between 8:30 am and 3:30 pm.

Lane closures will not occur during the commute hours from **6 am to 8:30 am** and from **3:30 pm to 8 pm**. All traffic lanes will remain open from Friday at 6 am to Sunday night at 9 pm.

The speed limit in this area will be reduced to 45 mph to ensure the safety of highway workers and the public. This speed limit will be enforced by the CHP. Motorists can expect a delay not to exceed ten minutes.

The contractor for this \$1.3 million project is Granite Construction Inc. of Santa Barbara CA.

This project is expected to be completed in the summer of 2013.

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

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in Santa Barbara County, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-568-0858 or visit the District 5 website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road_information.htm

