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COLD SPRING BRIDGE SUICIDE BARRIER PROJECT COMPLETED

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY - The project to install a suicide barrier on the Cold Spring Bridge along State Route 154 has been completed, Caltrans officials have announced.

A grid mesh barrier has been installed on both sides of the Cold Spring Bridge, which has been the location of 55 suicides since it was opened in 1964.

"I am pleased this project has been completed which will enhance safety for everyone who travels on the bridge," said Caltrans District 5 Director Rich Krumholz.

The contractor for this \$778,000 project was Bugler Construction of Pleasanton, CA.

Caltrans reminds motorists that 'we're here to get you there.'

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

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