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MOTORIST ADVISORY

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I-5 Empire Project Update:
Upcoming Construction Activities and Closures

BURBANK — The construction activities and closures listed below will occur during the week of October 6-10, 2014, as part of the I-5 Empire Project in Burbank, a series of freeway improvements between Magnolia Boulevard and Buena Vista Street. More information about the project is here. *Construction activities and closures are subject to change.*

ADVISORY for the Northbound I-5 Buena Vista Street Off-Ramp

To avoid backups and delays near the northbound I-5 Buena Vista Street off-ramp caused by vehicles queuing to exit, motorists are advised to use an alternate ramp. Options include:

- Burbank Boulevard
- Glenoaks Blvd.
- From westbound SR-134, exit at Hollywood Way or Buena Vista Street

Please SLOW DOWN in the construction zone and watch for stopped traffic.

Major Construction Activities for the Week of October 6-10, 2014

Day Work

- Retaining wall work at the following locations: near the I-5 Buena Vista St. off-ramp and on-ramp; near the southbound I-5 Burbank Blvd. off-ramp; and near San Fernando Blvd. south of Buena Vista St., north of the pump station.
- Slurry pour in the northbound San Fernando tunnel area. Fill placement also in this area near the Scott Rd. on-ramp.
- Placement of conduit on Empire Ave. near Wilson Ave. by Liberman Broadcasting. Striping to occur on October 9 or 10.
- Excavation in the southbound San Fernando tunnel area.
- Electrical work east of Victory Place between Empire Avenue and Empire Center.
- Grading operation at the former pump house site.

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Night Work

- Material delivery to old Scott Rd./northbound San Fernando tunnel.

Please be attentive to closures, slow down, and watch for workers in construction zones.

What to Expect: Residents and businesses close to the freeway may notice vibration and construction noise, but *it will not exceed levels permitted by state, federal and local regulations*. Also, the contractor is using approved dust-control measures to minimize airborne particles, but some dust is expected. Additionally, motorists should be attentive to new traffic patterns created by restriping of travel lanes and concrete barriers. Please proceed cautiously and watch for workers.

Closures for the Week of October 6-10, 2014

Street Closures (near Empire Center)

- Empire Ave. will have one travel lane in each direction at all times.

Permanent I-5 Ramp Closures

- Northbound Burbank Blvd./Walnut Ave. on-ramp
- Southbound Scott Rd. off-ramp. This ramp will be integrated into the Empire interchange, which will open in mid-2016
- Southbound Victory Pl./Lincoln St. on-ramp. This ramp will be integrated into the Empire interchange, which will open in mid-2016

Resources for Motorists

- **Project Information:** Information about the project is here.
- **Closure Information:** Closure information for this and other freeway projects is also available on the Caltrans website and the I-5 website.
- **Real-Time traffic Information:** Visit quickmap.dot.ca.gov, go511.com, or call 5-1-1.

For the safety of the construction crew and motorists, please be attentive to closures, slow for the cone zone, and move over one lane where possible.

Caltrans thanks motorists for their patience and understanding during construction. For more information, visit I-5info.com.

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