



MEDIA ADVISORY

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

NEW CARPOOL LANE TO OPEN ON THE POMONA FREEWAY

WHO: Senator Gloria Romero (Invited)
Assembly Member Charles Calderon (Invited)
Metro Board Chair and Los Angeles County Supervisor Don Knabe
Caltrans District Director Mike Miles
CHP representative

WHAT: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (Metro) will inaugurate an 11.5-mile new High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lane on the Pomona Freeway (SR-60) from the San Gabriel River Freeway (I-605) to the Orange Freeway (SR-57), including the widening of several ramps and construction of soundwalls at various locations.

WHEN: Thursday, October 14, 10 a.m.

WHERE: Puente Hills Mall, 1600 Azusa Ave., City of Industry, CA 91748, in the parking lot near America's Tire Co.

The addition of more than 11 miles of carpool lanes in each direction will reduce congestion and improve travel time. The new lanes connect to the recently constructed SR-57/SR-60 HOV connector, which will mean that motorists will not have to exit the carpools to merge to a different freeway. Additionally, soundwalls will protect residents from freeway noise.

PHOTO OP: The freeway is visible from the ceremony location.

