



NEWS RELEASE

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SAN BERNARDINO FREEWAY (I-10) CLOSURES FOR PAVEMENT WORK

LOS ANGELES - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces an extended weekend closure of the high occupancy vehicle (HOV or carpool) lanes in both directions of the San Bernardino Freeway (I-10) from Alameda Street to the Long Beach Freeway (I-710) beginning Friday, January 16, at 10 p.m. until Monday, January 19, at 5 a.m. as part of a pavement restoration project. The mainline will remain open at all times.

I-10 is a major thoroughfare connecting with downtown Los Angeles. As a result of heavy use, the asphalt pavement in the carpool lanes has experienced extensive wear. A series of up to 40 extended weekend closures are planned through project completion in Fall 2009. New pavement will improve safety and mobility for motorists. Griffith Company is the contractor on this \$18 million project which is expected to complete Fall 2009. Caltrans advises motorists to “**Slow For The Cone Zone.**”

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