

NEWS RELEASE



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
I-5/SR-14 Direct Connector

**LANE CLOSURES FOR I-5 AND STATE ROUTE 14
FOR NEW DIRECT CARPOOL LANE CONNECTOR**

Tuesday, April 7, through Friday, April 10

Sylmar/North San Fernando Valley – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following lanes, ramps and connectors of the Golden State Freeway (I-5) and the Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14) as part of a \$161-million improvement project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lanes and a direct HOV lane connector at the I-5/SR-14 interchange.

Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14) Closures

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound I-5
From 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. – Southbound SR-14 collector road to southbound I-5
From 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. – Up to two lanes of the southbound SR-14 collector road to I-5

OVERNIGHT TUESDAY, APRIL 7, THROUGH WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

From 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 connector to northbound I-5
From 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 collector road to southbound I-5
From 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 connector to southbound I-5

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound SR-14
From 10 p.m. to 11 p.m. – Up to two lanes of the southbound SR-14 connector to southbound I-5

OVERNIGHT WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, THROUGH THURSDAY, APRIL 9

From 5 p.m. to 7 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 connector to northbound I-5
From 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 collector road to southbound I-5
From 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 connector to southbound I-5

THURSDAY, APRIL 9

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound SR-14

From 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. – Southbound SR-14 connector to southbound I-5

OVERNIGHT THURSDAY, APRIL 9, THROUGH FRIDAY, APRIL 10

From 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 collector road to southbound I-5

From 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Southbound SR-14 connector to southbound I-5

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound SR-14

Golden State Freeway (I-5) Closures

TUESDAY, APRIL 7

From 5 a.m. to 1 p.m. – One lane of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

From 11 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. – One lane of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

OVERNIGHT TUESDAY, APRIL 7, THROUGH WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

From 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Up to two lanes of I-5 from Weldon Canyon to Sierra Highway

From 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Up to two lanes of I-5 from Sierra Highway to Balboa Blvd.

From 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

From 5 a.m. to 1 p.m. – One lane of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

From 11 p.m. to 11:59 p.m. – One lane of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

OVERNIGHT WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, THROUGH THURSDAY, APRIL 9

From 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Up to two lanes of I-5 from Weldon Canyon to Sierra Highway

From 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Up to three lanes of I-5 from Sierra Highway to Balboa Blvd.

From 11:59 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14



THURSDAY, APRIL 9

From 1 a.m. to 4 a.m. – Up to three lanes of I-5 from Sierra Highway to Balboa Blvd.
From 5 a.m. to 1 p.m. – One lane of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

OVERNIGHT THURSDAY, APRIL 9, THROUGH FRIDAY, APRIL 10

From 11 p.m. to 1 a.m. – One lane of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

FRIDAY, APRIL 10

From 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. – Northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

This project involves the construction of an elevated two-lane direct HOV connector at the I-5 and State Route 14 interchange and construction of HOV lanes in both the north and south directions of I-5 at the interchange. A direct HOV connector will allow motorists a freeway-to-freeway transfer without exiting the carpool lane.

Construction of this direct HOV connector and HOV lanes will relieve congestion, improve traffic flow, enhance safety and improve traffic operations of both freeways at the I-5/SR-14 Interchange. This important improvement project is helping to provide motorists with a seamless carpool lane network in California.

Preliminary work on this interchange improvement project began in July 2008. Work is estimated to complete in the fall of 2012. Caltrans thanks the motoring public for their patience and understanding during this highway improvement project. These closures are weather permitting and subject to change. Signs and detours will be posted to assist motorists.

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