

NEWS RELEASE



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I-5/SR-14 Direct HOV Connector

CLOSURES FOR I-5/SR-14 DIRECT HOV CONNECTOR PROJECT

Tuesday, September 15, through Friday, September 18

Sylmar/North San Fernando Valley – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following lanes, ramps, connectors and collector roads of the Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14), the Foothill Freeway (I-210) and the Golden State Freeway (I-5) 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. Closures are subject to change.

Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14) Closures

- One lane of the Southbound SR-14 Connector to Southbound I-5
TIME: 5 p.m. to 11 p.m.
- Southbound SR-14 Collector Road to Southbound I-5
TIME: 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- Southbound SR-14 Connector to Southbound I-5
TIME: 11 p.m. to 4 a.m.

Foothill Freeway (I-210) Closures

- Westbound I-210 Collector Road to Northbound I-5
TIME: 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Golden State Freeway (I-5) Closures

- One lane of the Northbound I-5 Connector to Northbound SR-14
TIME: 5 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Southbound Balboa Boulevard Off-Ramp
TIME: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound Truck Route Collector Road
TIME: 11 p.m. to 4 a.m.

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- Northbound Truck Route Collector Road
TIME: 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- Southbound I-5 from SR-14 to Balboa Boulevard
TIME: 11:59 p.m. to 4 a.m.
- Northbound I-5 from Balboa Boulevard to SR-14
TIME: 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- Northbound I-5 Connector to Northbound SR-14
TIME: 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m.

This project involves the construction of an elevated two-lane direct HOV connector at the I-5/SR-14 interchange and construction of HOV lanes in both directions of I-5 at the interchange. A direct HOV connector will allow for freeway-to-freeway transfers without exiting the carpool lane.

The project will relieve congestion, improve traffic flow, enhance safety and improve traffic operations on both freeways at the interchange. The work is part of Caltrans' effort to provide motorists with a seamless carpool lane network in California.

Work began in July 2008 and is on track to wrap up in the fall of 2012. Caltrans thanks the motoring public for their patience and understanding during construction.

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