



# NEWS RELEASE

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### LANE CLOSURES FOR I-5, STATE ROUTE 14 AND I-210 FOR NEW DIRECT CARPOOL LANE CONNECTOR, 8/10 – 8/16

**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), the Antelope Valley Freeway (State Route 14) and the Foothill Freeway (I-210) as part of a new \$156-million improvement project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) or carpool lanes and a direct HOV lane connector at the I-5/14 interchange.

#### NIGHTLY SUNDAY, AUGUST 10 THROUGH THURSDAY, AUGUST 14:

- Overnight from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. – One to two lanes of northbound I-5 from Balboa Boulevard to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. – The southbound SR-14 off-ramp to San Fernando Road
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. – The Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound I-5
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Balboa Blvd.
- Overnight from 8 p.m. to 11:59 a.m. -- The southbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14
- Overnight from 9 p.m. to 1 p.m. – One to two lanes of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14
- Overnight from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. – One lane of the northbound and/or southbound I-5 truck lanes
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – One lane of southbound I-5 from Calgrove Boulevard to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – The southbound SR-14 connector to southbound I-5
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – One lane of southbound I-5 from Sierra Highway to Balboa
- Overnight from 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m. – The southbound I-5 connector to eastbound SR-210.
- Overnight from 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Two lanes of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

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## **OVERNIGHT FRIDAY, AUGUST 15 TO SATURDAY, AUGUST 16:**

- Overnight from 6 p.m. to 10 a.m. – One to two lanes of northbound I-5 from Balboa Boulevard to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. – The Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound I-5
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Balboa Blvd.
- Overnight from 9 p.m. to 10 a.m. -- The southbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 1 p.m. – One to two lanes of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. – The northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. – One lane of southbound I-5 from Calgrove Boulevard to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m. – One to two lanes of southbound I-5 from Sierra Highway to Balboa Blvd.
- Overnight from 11:59 p.m. to 7 a.m. – One to two (all) lanes of the northbound and/or southbound I-5 truck lanes
- Overnight from 11:59 p.m. to 6 a.m. – The southbound I-5 connector to eastbound SR-210.

In order to facilitate construction work as part of this improvement project, the entrance to the southbound I-5 carpool lane has been temporarily relocated south of SR-14 to just near the I-210 interchange.

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 direction 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-5/14 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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