



# NEWS RELEASE

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
**I-5/SR-14 Direct Connector -- Update #2**

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

**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 (State Route 14), as part of a new \$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.

### **WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 THROUGH FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5:**

From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound I-5  
From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Sierra Highway  
From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Balboa Boulevard  
From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound SR-14 off-ramp to San Fernando Road  
From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound SR-14 truck lanes to southbound I-5 truck lanes

### **NIGHTLY WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 THROUGH THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**

Overnight from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. – The Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound I-5  
Overnight from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. – The southbound SR-14 truck lanes to southbound I-5 lanes  
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 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 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Both (2) lanes of the southbound I-5 truck lanes  
Overnight from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Both (2) lanes of the northbound I-5 truck lanes  
Overnight from 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Two lanes of southbound I-5 from Sierra Highway to Balboa  
Overnight from 11:59 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 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Two lanes of the northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14





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## FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

- From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The Sierra Highway on-ramp to northbound I-5
- From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Sierra Highway
- From 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Balboa Boulevard
- From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound SR-14 off-ramp to San Fernando Road
- From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. – The southbound SR-14 truck lanes to southbound I-5 truck lanes

## OVERNIGHT FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6:

- 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 SR-14 truck lanes to southbound I-5 truck lanes
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. – The southbound SR-14 off-ramp to San Fernando Road
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 8 a.m. – The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 7 p.m. to 8 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 11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m. – One lane of southbound I-5 from Calgrove Boulevard to Sierra Highway
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. – The southbound SR-14 connector to southbound I-5
- Overnight from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m. – Two (all) lanes of the southbound I-5 truck lanes

## SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6:

- From 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. – Two lanes of southbound I-5 from Sierra Highway to Balboa Boulevard
- From 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. – The northbound I-5 connector to northbound State Route 14

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.





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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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