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## **NOTICE OF CONSTRUCTION FOR NEW AND IMPROVED INTERSECTION -- PALMDALE BOULEVARD (SR-138) AT 47<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

**Palmdale** – This month, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin construction of a new “roundabout” intersection at Palmdale Boulevard (State Route 138) at 47<sup>TH</sup> Street in Palmdale. Work is expected to begin in mid- to late-April. A “roundabout” is best defined as a circular intersection, which provides continuous traffic operations with no stop signs or traffic signals. This is one of the first projects of its kind in Los Angeles County.

This highway improvement project will help to facilitate the smooth flow of traffic through the project area in the City of Palmdale and will also enhance safety. It will also improve access from State Route 138 to the future site of the Palmdale Airport.

During construction, motorists traveling east on Palmdale Boulevard will be detoured to 47<sup>th</sup> Street East, 50<sup>th</sup> Street East and Palmdale Boulevard via 40<sup>th</sup> Street East and Avenue P-8. Motorists traveling west on Palmdale Boulevard will be detoured to 47<sup>th</sup> Street East, 50<sup>th</sup> Street East and Palmdale Boulevard via 60<sup>th</sup> Street East and Avenue R. Traffic delays are expected to be minimal. However, delays may, at times, may be up to 10 minutes; possibly more during holidays and/or during the rainy season. Signs will be posted to assist motorists.

Intermittent lane closures will also be performed, mostly at night. Signs and detours will be posted to assist motorists. Press releases regarding closures will be distributed to the media to keep the public, businesses and commuters informed as work progresses. Roadwork is estimated to complete in Spring, 2009.

Please note: businesses will remain open during construction. Please support your location merchants!

Caltrans thanks the city of Palmdale – and the motoring public – for their patience and cooperation during construction. For additional information on this highway improvement project, please call the Caltrans Public Affairs office from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday at (213) 897-3630 or (213) 897-3656. Caltrans reminds motorists to please, *SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE*.  
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