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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### Caltrans to Begin Pavement Improvements on I-5 in North L.A. County

*Gorman* — Caltrans will begin pavement improvements on the Golden State Freeway (I-5) in north Los Angeles County on Sunday, April 15, 2012. The project will replace slabs in both directions of I-5 between Vista Del Lago Road and the Kern County Line, a distance of 15.4 miles.

The two outside lanes and outside shoulder will be completely replaced, and damaged pavement slabs will be replaced in the inside lanes. Additionally, the project will update drainage features, upgrade the wooden guardrail posts to metal, add post mile signage, widen the inside shoulders, replace broken approach and departure slabs, and repave ramps.

This \$100.1 million project, which will be completed in mid-2015, will extend the life of the pavement, reduce maintenance costs and closures, and provide a smoother ride for motorists. The contractor is Griffith/Coffman Joint Venture of Brea, Calif.

Most of the construction will be completed at night to minimize inconvenience to motorists, though there will be some work during the day on shoulders. Motorists should expect multiple simultaneous closures in different locations within the project limits, as well as lane closures in the middle of the freeway that will split traffic going in the same direction. Closures will be signed well in advance.

For the safety of the construction crew and motorists, please be attentive to closures, slow for the cone zone, and move over one lane where possible.

Lane closure information for this and other freeway projects is available on the Caltrans website: <http://www.lcswebreports.dot.ca.gov/lcswebreports/>

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