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# MOTORIST ADVISORY

**Date:** August 23, 2013
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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Closures for the I-5 Pavement Improvement Project**
**Vista Del Lago Road to Kern County Line**

**SPECIAL CLOSURE NOTES FOR NEXT WEEK**

► Over Labor Day weekend (Aug. 30 at 5 a.m. to Sept. 3 at 5 a.m.), **northbound I-5 will be reduced to three lanes** starting two miles south of Vista Del Lago Road to two miles south of Smokey Bear Road, where a lane split has been implemented. (See the attached notice.) **EXPECT DELAYS IN THIS AREA. CONSIDER AN ALTERNATE ROUTE.** All four lanes of southbound I-5 will be **OPEN**.

► The southbound I-5 off-ramp to Gorman Road is now **OPEN**.

**Gorman** — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) plans to implement the closures listed below as part of a pavement improvement project on the Golden State Freeway (I-5) between Vista Del Lago Road and the Kern County line.

Signs will be posted for all detours. No unusual levels of dust, noise or vibration are expected. Closures are subject to change.

**Motorists should expect regular closures at multiple locations in the project area through November 2013.**

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.

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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*Closure Dates: Sunday, August 25, through Friday August 30, 2013.*

**NORTHBOUND I-5**

*Lanes*

- Up two lanes of northbound I-5 between Vista Del Lago Road and the Kern County Line — 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

  *One lane of northbound I-5 between Vista Del Lago Rd. and the Kern County line may be closed at any time.*

*Off-Ramps*

- Frazier Mountain Park Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Vista Del Lago Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Smokey Bear Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Gorman Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Quail Lake Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

*On-Ramps*

- Quail Lake Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Vista Del Lago Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Smokey Bear Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Gorman Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

*Connectors*

- I-5 connector to northbound SR-138 — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Northbound SR-138 connector to I-5 — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**SOUTHBOUND I-5**

*Lanes*

- Up to two lanes of southbound I-5 between the Kern County Line and Vista Del Lago Road — 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

  *One lane of southbound I-5 between the Kern County line and Vista Del Lago Road may be closed at any time.*

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*Off-Ramps*

- Frazier Mountain Park Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Quail Lake Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Lancaster Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.

*On-Ramps*

- Gorman Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Frazier Mountain Park Road — Closed through August 29, 2013.
- Lancaster Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- Quail Lake Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Smokey Bear Road — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

*Connector*

- I-5 connector to southbound SR-138 — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**About the Project**

This project will replace slabs in both directions of I-5 between the Vista Del Lago Road overcrossing 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.

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