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

SPECIAL CLOSURE NOTES THIS WEEK

- **No Closures Over Veterans Day:** There will be no construction closures for this project over the Veterans Day holiday, Nov. 8 at 6 a.m. through Nov. 11 at 11:59 p.m.
- **Vista Del Lago Road Ramp Closures:** The southbound I-5 Vista Del Lago Road on-ramp and off-ramp will be closed for paving work through Nov. 15, 2013. Detours will be posted.
- **Bypass Lane:** A bypass lane has been implemented on southbound I-5 from SR-138 to one mile south of Vista Del Lago Road through **Nov. 22**. Motorists using the bypass lane will be driving to the left of the existing median.

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.

Consecutive ramps will NOT be closed at the same time. Signs will be posted for all detours. No unusual levels of dust, noise or vibration are expected. Closures are subject to change.

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/

For real-time traffic information, visit quickmap.dot.ca.gov or call 5-1-1.

Closure Dates: Tuesday, Nov. 12, through Saturday, Nov. 16, 2013.

NORTHBOUND I-5

Lanes

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

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- At least one lane will be open at all times, so traffic can still get by, though there may be delays. Check the Caltrans Quickmap (quickmap.dot.ca.gov) before you leave for traffic speeds in the area.
- The most restrictive closures (i.e., the most lanes closed) will occur between midnight and 4 a.m.
- One lane may be closed at anytime, including daytime hours.

Off-Ramps

- 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.
- Quail Lake 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.
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Connectors

- Northbound I-5 connector to eastbound SR-138 — 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Westbound SR-138 connector to northbound 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 closed between the Kern County Line and Vista Del Lago Road — 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.
    - At least one lane will be open at all times, so traffic can still get by, though there may be delays. Check the Caltrans Quickmap (quickmap.dot.ca.gov) before you leave for traffic speeds in the area.

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Connectors

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

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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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