



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-405 HOV CLOSURES SCHEDULED

LOS ANGELES – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close both lanes of the northbound Ventura Freeway (U.S. 101) connector to the northbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) **nightly** from Sunday, January 22, to Thursday, January 26, from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

The following additional closures will be in effect **nightly** from Sunday, January 22, to Thursday, January 26:

- 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., the northbound U.S. 101 connector to Burbank Boulevard;
- 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., the southbound I-405 Ventura Boulevard on-ramp;
- 9 p.m. to 7 a.m., up to two lanes of southbound I-405 from U.S. 101 to Burbank Boulevard.

Detours will be posted.

The closures are part of a \$6.2 million High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV, or carpool) lane on northbound I-405 between Ventura Boulevard and Burbank Boulevard. The project is expected to complete mid-2007, alleviating congestion at the I-405/U.S.101 Interchange as well as improving air quality and enhancing safety. It is one of four HOV lane projects currently underway on I-405.

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