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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### I-710 FULL FREEWAY CLOSURES THIS WEEKEND

**Bell to Downey** — Beginning Friday night, September 9, and continuing through Monday morning, September 12, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will conduct full freeway closures on the Long Beach Freeway (I-710) to replace aging pavement as part of the Long Life Pavement Rehabilitation Project from Firestone Boulevard to Slauson Avenue. The Extended Weekend Closure schedule for is as follows:

#### Friday, September 9, through Monday, September 12

**Full freeway closures** will occur twice during the weekend and in both directions:

- Friday at 11:59 p.m. until Saturday at 6 a.m.
- Sunday at 11 p.m. until Monday at 5 a.m.

#### Closed ramps:

- On-ramps to northbound I-710: Imperial Highway, Firestone Blvd. and Florence Avenue
- On-ramps to southbound I-710: Atlantic Boulevard, Florence Avenue and Firestone Boulevard
- Off-ramps from southbound I-710: Florence Avenue and Firestone Boulevard

#### Closed connectors:

- Eastbound and westbound I-105 connector to northbound I-710

This freeway segment is a designated Construction Zone where a lower 45 mph limit will be enforced by the California Highway Patrol. Due to narrow lane widths, oversized loads are not permitted. Plan ahead and use alternate routes and detours. The closure schedule is subject to change.

Five more full freeway closures are scheduled as follows: Sept. 16 – 19; Sept. 23 – 26; Sept. 30 – Oct. 3; Oct. 7 – 10; Oct. 14 – 17.

**Project Details:** The work is part of the \$65 million I-710 Long Life Pavement Project to rehabilitate aging pavement and provide the roadway with several decades of service life, improved performance and a smoother ride for motorists. The project is funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The contractor is SEMA Construction of Lake Forrest. The project is scheduled to be completed by spring 2012.

For more information on the I-710 full freeway closure schedule, visit [www.dot.ca.gov/dist07](http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist07), follow us on Twitter (@CaltransDist7), or check out *The Caltrans Connector* blog at [caltransd7info.blogspot.com](http://caltransd7info.blogspot.com).