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ARTESIA FREEWAY (SR-91) LANE AND RAMP CLOSURES (UPDATE)

BELLFLOWER/CERRITOS – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces the closure of various lanes and ramps on eastbound and westbound Artesia Freeway (SR-91) for the pavement rehabilitation project, nightly, Wednesday, July 6 through Friday, July 8, from 9 p.m. until 5 a.m. for restriping pavement. At least one lane will be open to traffic at all times. The closure schedule is as follows:

Eastbound Route 91: Night, Wednesday, July 6:

- 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Up to three lanes from the San Gabriel River Freeway (I-605) to Norwalk Boulevard.
- 10 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Pioneer Boulevard off-ramp.
- 8 p.m. until 7 a.m. – Northbound and southbound Pioneer Boulevard on-ramps.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Norwalk Boulevard on and off-ramps.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Up to two regular use lanes from Clark Avenue to Woodruff Avenue.
- 8 p.m. until 7 a.m. – Bellflower Boulevard on and off-ramps.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Up to three regular use lanes from Woodruff Avenue to Bellflower Boulevard.
- 8 p.m. until 7 a.m. – Bellflower Boulevard off-ramps.

Night, Friday, July 8:

- 8 p.m. until 11 a.m. – Up to four regular use lanes from Bellflower Boulevard to I-605.
- 8 p.m. until 10 a.m. – Up to three lanes from the eastbound SR-91 connector to I-605.
- 9 p.m. until noon – Studebaker Road on-ramp.
- 9 p.m. until noon – Northbound and southbound Pioneer Boulevard on-ramps.
- 11 p.m. until 6 a.m. – Bloomfield avenue off-ramp.

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Westbound Route 91: Night, Friday, July 8:

- 9 p.m. until 10 a.m. – Up to two regular use lanes from I-605 to Bellflower Boulevard.
- 7 p.m. until 8 a.m. – Carmenita Road off-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 8 a.m. – 183rd Street on-ramp.
- 9 p.m. until 10 a.m. – Artesia Boulevard on and off-ramps.

Route 91, one of the most heavily traveled roads in Los Angeles County, was also one of the first freeways to offer HOV lanes. As a result, the asphalt pavement has experienced extensive wear and needs to be replaced. The pavement replacement project will improve safety and mobility for motorists. Also, because of the 20-year longevity of the new pavement materials, the need for future maintenance will be reduced. This project began construction in spring 2003, and the final stage of the HOV portion will be completed in summer 2005.

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