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I-5 South Corridor Construction Activities

Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) Corridor Improvement Projects

Santa Fe Springs and Norwalk - The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will implement several construction activities and operations next week on both directions of the Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) that include full freeway closures, mainline traffic shifts, and a new on-ramp to be reopened.

RE-OPENED ON-RAMP:

- **Tuesday, July 15 - (morning) southbound I-5 on-ramp at Norwalk Blvd./San Antonio Dr.**
This ramp has been closed since October 2013. The new ramp was built as a temporary ramp to accommodate and to better circulate traffic during on-going construction.

Ramps to CLOSE:

- **July 14 to 18, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** - the northbound I-5 off-ramp at Rosecrans Ave will be closed each weekday, during daytime hours.
- **Wednesday, July 16 - Permanent closure** of the southbound I-5 on-ramp at Imperial Hwy.
- **Friday, July 18 at 7 p.m. to Monday, July 21 at 5 a.m. - Weekend (55-hour) full closure of the northbound I-5 off-ramp at Rosecrans Avenue.**

MAINLINE TRAFFIC SHIFTS:

Three mainline traffic shifts will be implemented: two on northbound I-5 and one on southbound I-5.

- **Tuesday, July 15** - (morning) ALL (3 of 3) northbound I-5 mainline lanes, between Norwalk Blvd. and Imperial Highway, will shift to the right; traffic will move on the newly paved lanes.
- **Wednesday, July 16** - (morning) ALL (3 of 3) southbound I-5 mainline lanes, between Imperial Hwy and Norwalk Blvd., will shift to the left and onto the existing northbound I-5 lanes.
- **Monday, July 21 at 5 a.m.** - ALL (3 of 3) northbound I-5 mainline lanes will shift to the right between Carmenita Road to Rosecrans Avenue.

FULL FREEWAY CLOSURES:

To prepare the lanes for the mainline traffic switches mentioned above, overnight paving operations will take place the night before. The following closures will be in effect as follows:

- **Monday July 14**, Northbound I-5 Full Freeway Closure, from Norwalk Blvd. to Imperial Hwy, 11:59 p.m. to 4:30 a.m.
- **Tuesday, July 15**, Southbound I-5 Full Freeway Closure, from Imperial Hwy to Norwalk Blvd., 12:01 a.m. to 4:30 a.m.
- **Sunday, July 20**, Northbound I-5 Full Freeway Closure, from Carmenita Rd to Rosecrans Ave., 12:01 a.m. to 5 a.m.

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Upcoming Construction Activities:

The list below highlights other upcoming summer/fall 2014 construction activities.

Early September, 2014 - Alondra Blvd. Bridge Project. Two newly constructed bridges, the Alondra Blvd. Bridge and the Coyote Creek Overcrossing, will reopen to the public. The intersection of Alondra Blvd. and Freeway Dr. will also open at this time.

Late Summer 2014 - I-5 Florence Avenue Interchange Project begins construction. This project extends from Orr and Day Road to just south of I-605. It is the fifth project to begin construction in a series of six I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects.

Late Summer 2014 - Imperial Highway/Pioneer Blvd. Project. The newly constructed, fly-over off-ramp at southbound I-5 at Imperial Highway will open.

Early Fall 2014 - Alondra Blvd. Bridge Project.

- **Mainline Traffic Shift**- Southbound I-5 lanes shift to the center of the roadway; the existing southbound lanes will become the new work zone.
- **Permanent closure** of the southbound I-5 on-ramp at Alondra Blvd.

Fall 2014 - Rosecrans Ave./Bloomfield Ave. Project. Long-term ramp closures on the southbound I-5 on-ramp and off-ramp at Rosecrans Avenue. (Approx. 9 months).

Fall 2014 - Florence Avenue Project. Permanent ramp closure of the southbound I-5 on-ramp at Orr and Day Road in the city of Norwalk.

Construction schedules are subject to change. Some dates and times are still to be determined. The work is part of the I-5 South Corridor Improvement Project, to widen the freeway and structures to add one HOV lane and one general purpose lane from the Los Angeles County/Orange County line to the San Gabriel River Freeway (I-605).

The public is encouraged to sign up to receive email notifications for all I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects at the toll-free I-5 Information line (855) 454-6335 or www.I-5info.com

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