



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
I-5/SR-14 Direct Connector

**FULL CLOSURES FOR I-5, SR-14 AND I-210
FOR NEW DIRECT CARPOOL LANE CONNECTOR**

Thursday, May 21, through Friday, May 22

There will be no lane closures on this project during Memorial Day weekend.

(Friday, May 22, at 5 a.m. to Tuesday, May 26, at 5 a.m.)

Sylmar/North San Fernando Valley – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following lanes, ramps and connectors of the Golden State Freeway (I-5), the Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14) and the Foothill Freeway (I-210) as part of a \$161-million improvement project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lanes and a direct HOV lane connector at the I-5/SR-14 interchange.

Golden State Freeway (I-5) Closures

OVERNIGHT THURSDAY, MAY 21, THROUGH FRIDAY, MAY 22

From 11 p.m. to 4 a.m. – Southbound I-5 truck route collector road

From 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Northbound I-5 truck route collector road

FRIDAY, MAY 22

From 1 a.m. to 5 a.m. – Northbound I-5 connector to northbound SR-14

Foothill Freeway (I-210) Closures

OVERNIGHT THURSDAY, MAY 21, THROUGH FRIDAY, MAY 22

From 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. – Westbound I-210 connector to northbound I-5

This project involves the construction of an elevated two-lane direct HOV connector at the I-5 and State Route 14 interchange and construction of HOV lanes in both the north and south directions of I-5 at the interchange. A direct HOV connector will allow motorists a freeway-to-freeway transfer without exiting the carpool lane.



Construction of this direct HOV connector and HOV lanes will relieve congestion, improve traffic flow, enhance safety and improve traffic operations of both freeways at the I-5/SR-14 Interchange. This important improvement project is helping to provide motorists with a seamless carpool lane network in California.

Preliminary work on this interchange improvement project began in July 2008. Work is estimated to complete in the fall of 2012. Caltrans thanks the motoring public for their patience and understanding during this highway improvement project. These closures are weather permitting and subject to change. Signs and detours will be posted to assist motorists.

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