



NEWS RELEASE

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-5 HOV Improvement Project (Magnolia Blvd. to SR-134)

San Fernando Valley – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will perform the following activities as part of this HOV (carpool) lane project:

March 17 - March 28

- Construct a concrete barrier along the southbound and northbound I-5 near Western Avenue, and the northbound Olive Avenue off-ramp.
- Construct a mechanically stabilized earth wall at Bonnywood Place in Burbank.
- Construct a retaining wall near the southbound Verdugo Avenue off- and on-ramp.
- The southbound I-5 Western Avenue on-ramps will be closed for 55-hours from 10 p.m. Friday, March 28 to 5 a.m. Monday, March 31.

Currently, southbound I-5 eastbound and westbound Western Avenue off-ramps are continuously closed day and night. These ramps are expected to open in mid-2014. No two consecutive ramp closures will be closed. Detours will be signed.

Caltrans reminds motorists to ***Slow For The Cone Zone*** and ***Move Over***. It's the law.

About the Project

This project is building a high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction along the Golden State Freeway (I-5) between the Ventura Freeway (SR-134) and Magnolia Boulevard in Burbank, a total distance of 5.4 miles (2.7 miles in each direction). It is also constructing sound walls and retaining walls.

Funding for this \$57.8 million project is provided by Proposition C. The contractor is Security Paving of Sun Valley, California. Work began in March 2011 and is expected to be completed in late 2014.

Caltrans thanks motorists for their patience and understanding during construction.

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