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SOUTHBOUND I-405 OLYMPIC BOULEVARD OPENS EARLY

LOS ANGELES – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will re-open the southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) Olympic Boulevard off-ramp by Monday, September 11, approximately 3 and a half months ahead of schedule.

The ramp closed on April 28, in connection with a \$50 million project to extend the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV, or carpool) lane on southbound I-405 from Sunset Boulevard to the Santa Monica Freeway (I-10).

Work on the ramp included widening the freeway bridge, widening the freeway between the ramp and the bridge, building a concrete barrier along the ramp, and rebuild the ramp.

The HOV project is one of several improvement projects underway on I-405 in Los Angeles County. When completed in 2007, it will provide a continuous HOV lane on southbound I-405 from the San Fernando Valley to Los Angeles International Airport.

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