



TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Date: May 6, 2013 (update of May 3 traffic advisory)
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Caltrans to Open New I-5/SR-170 Connector ~~May 7~~ May 8, 2013

Rain has delayed the connector opening and related closures by one day.

See related freeway closure information below.

San Fernando Valley — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will open a new I-5/SR-170 connector on Tuesday, ~~May 7~~ **May 8**, at 5 a.m. The connector is a three-lane, mixed-flow connector going from the northbound Hollywood Freeway (SR-170) to the northbound Golden State Freeway (I-5). Northbound SR-170 traffic will merge with the three outside lanes of northbound I-5.

Construction began on the 2,400-foot connector in late 2010. It is part of a project that is also constructing a high occupancy vehicle (HOV, or carpool) lane in each direction of I-5 between SR-170 and the Ronald Reagan Freeway (SR-118), a distance of 3.4 miles, and a direct HOV connector between I-5 and SR-170. The direct HOV connector will enable freeway-to-freeway transfers without exiting the carpool lane.

The project will alleviate congestion, encourage carpooling, improve air quality, and provide a smoother ride for motorists. The work is part of Caltrans' effort to provide motorists with a seamless carpool lane network in California.

Work began in August 2010 and is on track for completion in mid-2014. Caltrans thanks motorists for their patience and understanding during construction.

For more information, visit www.I-5info.com.

Upcoming Closures Related to This Project

The week of May 6, crews will remove remaining falsework and complete striping on the new I-5/SR-170 connector, requiring night closures of northbound I-5 between Sheldon Street and Osborne Street and southbound I-5 between the I-5/SR-170 interchange and Sheldon Street, as well as night closures of southbound I-5 on-ramps at Terra Bella Street and Osborne Street. Closure details:

WHERE

Northbound I-5 between Sheldon Street and Osborne Street
Southbound I-5 between the I-5/SR-170 interchange and Sheldon Street



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WHEN

Northbound I-5 Closure

Wednesday night, May 8, through Thursday morning, May 9, 2013
11:59 p.m. to 5 a.m.

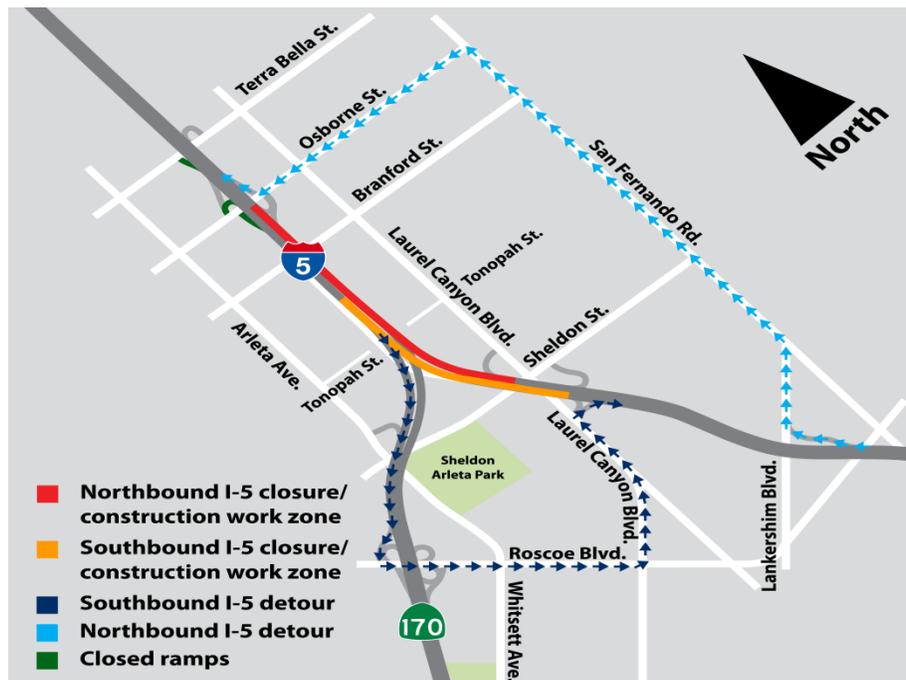
Southbound I-5 Closure

Thursday night, May 9, through Saturday morning, May 11, 2013
11:59 p.m. to 4 a.m.

DETOURS

Northbound I-5 detour: Traffic will be detoured off the freeway at Lankershim Blvd. and onto San Fernando Road. Motorists will re-enter northbound I-5 from Osborne Street. Detour signs will be posted.

Southbound I-5 detour: Traffic will be detoured off I-5 at the I-5/SR-170 interchange and onto southbound SR-170. Motorists will reenter southbound I-5 from Laurel Canyon Blvd. Detour signs will be posted.



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