



NEWS RELEASE

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Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5) FULL FREEWAY, CONNECTOR, LANE AND RAMP CLOSURES

DOWNEY to NORWALK – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has scheduled three nights of full freeway closures, connector closures, and lane and ramp closures on the I-5 South Corridor between the San Gabriel River Freeway (Interstate 605) and the Artesia Freeway (State Route 91) on **Sunday March 3, Wednesday March 6 and Sunday March 10.**

Only one freeway direction will be fully closed each night. The full closures allow crews to continue to safely demolish the Shoemaker Avenue Bridge, as part of the \$214 million I-5 HOV/Rosecrans-Bloomfield-Shoemaker Bridges Project to add one carpool lane and one general purpose lane in each direction from Shoemaker Ave. to Silverbow Ave., reconstruct three bridges at Rosecrans, Bloomfield and Shoemaker avenues and a pedestrian overcrossing at Silverbow Ave., reconfigure the ramps at Rosecrans Ave., and upgrade and realign Firestone Blvd.

The demolition work began on 2/24 with deck removal and is progressing ahead of schedule. Next week's work involves removing the bridge girders and bents. The overnight closure schedule is:

Full Freeway Closure: Southbound I-5 Sunday March 3 from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.

- **Southbound I-5 only** from San Antonio/Norwalk Blvd to Rosecrans Avenue.
All southbound I-5 traffic must exit at the San Antonio/Norwalk Blvd. off-ramp.
Motorists can re-enter Southbound I-5 at Carmenita Road on-ramp.
- **Connector Closure:** the southbound I-605 connector to southbound I-5 will be closed.
Detour: to reconnect to southbound I-5, motorists will be detoured to use southbound I-605 to eastbound SR-91 to southbound I-5.
- **Southbound I-5 on-ramps** will be fully closed at S. Firestone Blvd. and Rosecrans Ave.
- **On northbound I-5**, up to two lanes will be closed from Carmenita Rd. to Rosecrans Ave.

Full Freeway Closure: Northbound I-5 Wed. March 6 and Sun. March 10 from 11 p.m.-5 a.m.

- **Northbound I-5 only** from Carmenita Road to Rosecrans Avenue.
All northbound I-5 traffic must exit at the Carmenita Road off-ramp.
- **Connector Closures:** Westbound SR-91 to northbound I-5.
Detour: to reconnect to northbound I-5, motorists will be detoured to use westbound SR-91 to northbound I-605 to northbound I-5.
- **Northbound I-5 on-ramps** will be fully closed at Valley View Ave., Alondra Blvd. and Carmenita Rd.
- **On southbound I-5**, up to two lanes will be closed from San Antonio/Norwalk Blvd. to Carmenita Rd.

The public is encouraged to sign-up to receive email notifications on local street, freeway and ramp closures at the I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects Toll-Free Hotline (855) 454-6335 or www.I-5info.com Caltrans district-wide freeway lane closure information can be accessed at www.lcswebreports.dot.ca.gov