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## U.S. 101 CARPOOL LANE PROJECT CLOSURES

**MUSSEL SHOALS** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close up to two lanes of the southbound Ventura Freeway (U.S. 101) from Bates Road to south of Mussel Shoals for three nights beginning Sunday, July 14 through Tuesday, July 16.

Closure hours will be:

- 9 p.m. Sunday to 9 a.m. Monday
- 8 p.m. Monday to 9 a.m. Tuesday
- 8 p.m. Tuesday to 9 a.m. Wednesday

Up to two lanes on northbound U.S. 101 will close in the Tank Farm area on Monday night from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Tuesday.

At least one lane will be open to traffic during all the closures.

The purpose of the southbound closures is to enable movement of K-rail further into the median, restriping and then moving the K-rail onto the ocean side of the freeway. This will allow for construction of sound walls, retaining walls and access ramps.

The southbound closure is to move k-rail in order to facilitate construction of the median in the Tank Farm area.

Work relates to construction of a six-mile carpool lane from Mussel Shoals in Ventura County to Carpinteria in Santa Barbara County. Granite Construction is the contractor on the \$102 million project, estimated to complete by early 2015.

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