



MEDIA ADVISORY

Today's Date: July 12, 2012
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CALTRANS TO HOST A GROUNDBREAKING CEREMONY ON STATE ROUTE 99 IN MERCED

WHO: Malcolm Dougherty, Director, Caltrans.
WHAT: State Route 99 Arboleda Drive Freeway Groundbreaking Ceremony hosted by the Department of Transportation (Caltrans).
WHEN: Friday, July 13, 2012, at 10:00 A.M.
WHERE: Arboleda Drive, Merced, CA 95341.

The \$128.1 million project will construct a new interchange at Arboleda Drive and convert a four-lane expressway to a six-lane freeway from Buchanan Hollow Road to the Miles Creek Overflow. The project received \$91.7 million from Proposition 1B, the \$19.9 billion transportation bond approved by voters in 2006; and will ease congestion, improve mobility, decrease travel times, improve operations, and enhance safety for both commute and recreational traffic in Merced County.

Other speakers include: Caltrans District 10 Director Carrie Bowen; Senator Anthony Cannella, District 12, California State Senate; John Pedrozo, District 1, Merced County Board of Supervisors; Mayor Stan Thurston, City of Merced; and Jesse B. Brown, Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) Executive Director.

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