FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FULL HIGHWAY CLOSURE
STATE ROUTE 99 AT THE LE GRAND ROAD EXIT
IN MERCED COUNTY

Merced County – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close southbound State Route 99 (SR-99) near the Le Grand Road Exit (Exit 179) for bridge work.

The closure will begin on Monday, January 5, 2015, at 9:00 p.m. until Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at 5:00 a.m. Crews may perform an additional closure on Tuesday, January 6, 2015, at 9:00 p.m. until Wednesday, January 7, 2015, if crews are unable to finish the work Monday night.

In addition, the southbound on-ramp from Le Grand Road to SR-99 will close beginning Monday, January 5, 2015, through Wednesday, January 7, 2015, from 9:00 p.m. until 5:00 a.m.

Motorists should expect 15 minute delays. A signed detour is in place and alternate routes should be taken whenever possible.

The closure is scheduled to begin as listed, but are subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment and/or materials and construction related issues.
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The work is part of the $76.6 million SR-99 Plainsburg Road Freeway Project which began in December of 2012. The project will construct a new interchange at Plainsburg Road and convert a four-lane expressway to a six-lane freeway from the Madera County line to Buchanan Hollow Road in Merced County. The project received $65.9 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.

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