The Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) will begin construction of the Westbound State Route 91 Lane Extension and Lane Reconstruction project from East of the Northbound State Route 55/Westbound SR-91 Connector to the Tustin Avenue Off-ramp in the City of Anaheim, beginning January 2014. An overhead sign installation, spanning the width of Lakeview Avenue Overcrossing will also occur. The Annual Average Daily Traffic recorded during the preliminary project initiation in 2008 was 113,200, with 120,000 in 2015 and a future estimate of 139,200 in 2035. This is an increase of 26,000 vehicles by 2035.

**Project Details**

This 1.6 mile, $46.27 million project will relieve existing weaving and merging maneuvers on the Westbound SR-91 between the Northbound SR-55 connector and Tustin Avenue by adding a Tustin Avenue exit bypass lane, reconstructing the auxiliary lane and modifying the number one and two lanes of the connector to serve as two general purpose lanes that merge into one general purpose lane just west of Tustin Avenue Off-ramp. The Tustin Avenue Off-ramp will be reconfigured from to 2-lane exit on the freeway and 4 lanes at Tustin Avenue.

During construction, the Santa Ana River Bridge will be widened and retaining walls will be installed from east of the connector to Tustin Avenue. The bridge widening will include the extension of seventeen piers along the flood control channel. During pile driving operations, detour signs will be posted for cyclists to use Lakeview Avenue, Riverdale Avenue and Tustin Avenue as an alternate route. Tustin and Lakeview Avenues do not have a dedicated bike lane, but Riverdale Avenue does. Additional signs will be posted on Lakeview Avenue and Tustin Avenue informing motorists to share the road and to enforce no parking on specific dates.

The project has 500 construction working days with completion estimated in late 2015. The contractor is OHL of Irvine.

**Planned Closures**

A Traffic Management Plan will be implemented during construction including direct detours for commuters traveling through the project area. Stage 1 of construction begins in late January 2014 with the closure of 1 of 2 lanes of the connector for an estimated 30 days. Stage 2, occurs in 2015 with a 16-day ramp closure at the Tustin Avenue On-ramp to Westbound SR-91. Caltrans will provide advanced notice for planned ramp closures and other mainline impacts. All closure information will be posted at The Caltrans website address [www.dot.ca.gov/dist12](http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist12).

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