



Sunday, October 27- Saturday, November 2, 2013

Construction Overview

- On Friday, November 1 and Saturday, November 2, crews will perform full closures on the I-5 freeway at Ortega Highway in order to construct falsework for the south half of the bridge. These closures will take place between 11:59 p.m. and 5 a.m. on both nights. Nighttime closures of the northbound and southbound I-5 will not take place simultaneously, with only one direction of the freeway being closed each night.

During the full freeway closures, motorists will be instructed to exit Ortega Highway, proceed through the intersection and re-enter the freeway on the sequential Ortega Highway on-ramp.

Falsework is a temporary structure used in construction to support spanning or arched structures such as bridges in order to hold it in place until the structure can sufficiently support itself.

- In the coming weeks, crews will continue work to reconstruct the south half of the Ortega Highway bridge and will complete several concrete pours including the stem (the center part of the bridge) and soffit (the underside of the bridge) in mid-November before the Thanksgiving holiday.
- The rainy season is officially underway! Please exercise safety while driving, especially in construction zones. Stay alert, slow down and increase your following distance!
- With local schools in session, the I-5 / Ortega Highway team would like to remind everyone to plan ahead and allow extra time to commute to and from your destinations while in the construction area. Thank you for your continued patience while we work to improve the intersection!

While the Ortega Highway Bridge is under construction, the following can be used as detours:

- Junipero Serra Road
- Camino Capistrano
- Rancho Viejo Road
- La Novia Avenue
- San Juan Creek Road

Scheduled Closures & Detours

Regularly scheduled nighttime closure(s) from Sunday, October 27 through Saturday, November 2 include:

FULL CLOSURES:

- **Northbound I-5 full freeway closure at Ortega Highway (SR-74)**
 - Full closure of the northbound I-5 freeway at Ortega Highway (SR-74) on Friday, 11/1 between 11:59 p.m and 6 a.m.
- **Southbound I-5 full freeway closure at Ortega Highway (SR-74)**
 - Full closure of the southbound I-5 freeway at Ortega Highway (SR-74) on Saturday, 11/2 between 11:59 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- **Westbound Ortega Highway (SR-74) closed between Rancho Viejo Road and Del Obispo Street**
 - Full closure of westbound Ortega Highway (SR-74) on Wednesday 10/30 between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.
- **Eastbound Ortega Highway (SR-74) closed between Del Obispo Street and Rancho Viejo Road**
 - Full closure of eastbound Ortega Highway (SR-74) on Wednesday, 10/30 between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.

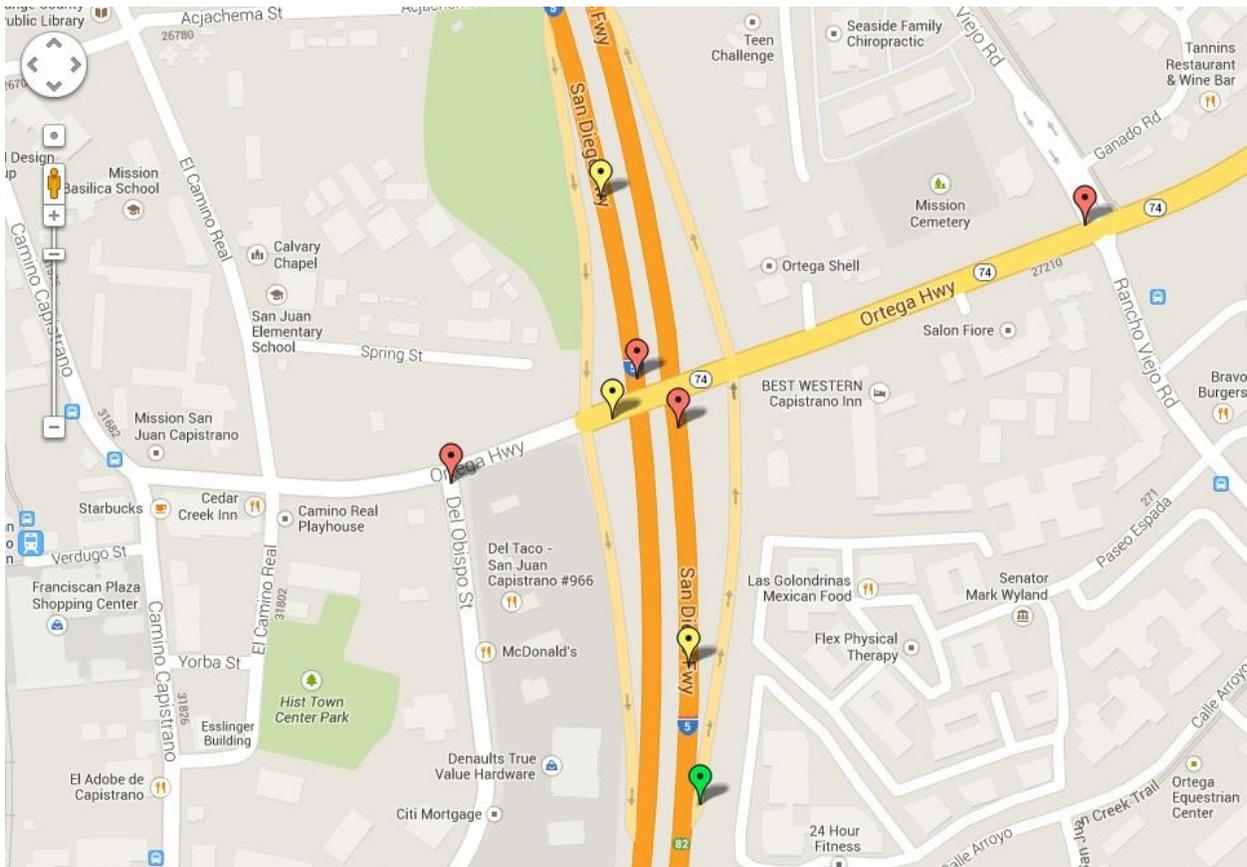
Lane Reductions

- **Lane reduction on the northbound I-5 freeway between Camino Capistrano and Junipero Serra Road**
 - Lane closures nightly, Sunday, 10/27 through Thursday, 10/31 between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.
- **Lane reduction on the southbound I-5 freeway between Junipero Serra Road and Camino Capistrano**
 - Lane closures nightly, Sunday, 10/27 through Thursday, 10/31 between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.
- **Lane Reduction on eastbound Ortega Highway (SR-74) between Del Obispo Street and Rancho Viejo Road**
 - Lane closure on Sunday, 10/27 between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m.

Ramp Closures:

- **Northbound I-5 off-ramp to Ortega Highway (SR-74) closed**
 - Ramp closed nightly, Sunday, 10/20 through Thursday, 10/24 between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.

Click on the map below to see the full schedule of nightly closures and detours planned on the I-5 / Ortega Highway Interchange Improvement Project from Sunday, October 27 through Saturday, November 2, 2013.



[View Map](#)

Map Legend:

Red - Full Freeway and Road Closure

Yellow - Freeway Lane Reduction

Green - Ramp Closure

DISCLAIMER: Please be advised, these dates and times are subject to change due to unforeseen operational factors or inclement weather.