



TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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State Route 85 Slab Replacement Project Begins

Santa Clara County—The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin Thursday, April 19 to grind existing concrete pavement and replace damaged concrete slabs on State Route 85 in the northbound and southbound directions from .3 miles north of Stevens Creek Boulevard overcrossing in Cupertino to State Route 85 and U.S. 101 separation in Mountain View. In addition, the mainline shoulders and ramps within the project limits will be rehabilitated with rubberized asphalt concrete (AC). The project will also replace crash cushions, install metal beam guard rails and modify traffic loop detectors at various locations.

Work being performed Monday through Thursday nights will begin at 8:00 p.m. and will end at 5:00 a.m. the following day. Friday and Saturday night work will begin no earlier than 7:00 p.m. and will end by 8:00 a.m. the following day. There will be various freeway lane and ramp closures during this project; however, **Caltrans will always provide at least one open lane in either direction of travel and never close two consecutive ramps.** The project is expected to be completed by Summer, 2012.

Noise will be inevitable during the concrete grinding and saw cutting process; however, it will be kept within approved construction noise limits.

This project will provide an improved quality of ride for motorists and extend the service life of the existing pavement.

Advance warning changeable message signs and detour signs are in place to assist motorists traveling in the area. Motorists are advised to use caution when traveling through the area and please "Slow for the Cone Zone."

