



TRAFFIC ADVISORY

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-80/PINOLE VALLEY ROAD ON-RAMP AND LANE CLOSURES FINAL WORK BEFORE REPAIRS COMPLETE

Pinole – Caltrans will soon complete repairs along westbound Interstate 80 at Pinole Valley Road after the hillside slid last spring during unusually heavy rains.

Crews will close lanes and the Pinole Valley on-ramp along westbound I-80 three times over the next two weeks to complete repairs at the landslide location. Closures are as follows:

DATE	TIME	WHAT'S CLOSED	WHY
Wed., Jan. 24 – Thurs., Jan. 25	9 p.m. to 5 a.m.	two right lanes and Pinole Valley Road on-ramp	temporary construction barrier removal
Thurs., Jan. 25	10 a.m. to 3 p.m.	far right lane and Pinole Valley Road on-ramp	paving (must be done in warmer temperature)
Tues., Jan 30	9 p.m. to 5 a.m.	far right lane and Pinole Valley Road on-ramp	striping

The hillside above westbound I-80 slid on April 30, 2006, blocking freeway lanes and the on-ramp. Caltrans crews quickly cleared the debris to re-open the lanes within hours and the on-ramp a week earlier than expected.

Over the summer, crews cleared the hillside of loose debris and constructed a temporary retaining wall to protect motorists. Last fall, crews constructed a permanent retaining wall on the hillside to prevent further failure of the slope.

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