



CONSTRUCTION NOTICE

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Construction Begins for I-680 Roadway Rehabilitation In Contra Costa County

Contra Costa County –Last week Caltrans began work on the Interstate 680 Roadway Rehabilitation and HOV Lane Extension project in Contra Costa County. The project will rehabilitate the freeway from Alcosta Blvd in Dublin to Rudgear Road in Walnut Creek, and extend the southbound HOV lane from Livorna Road to .2 miles north of Rudgear Road.

Improvements include rehabilitation of the freeway lanes, ramps, shoulders, and some bridge approach slabs. Bay Cities Paving & Grading was awarded the contract with a bid of \$49.9 million.

The contractor will have night time lane closures and also work behind barrier rail during the day. Below are general work window times, which may vary slightly according to location:

Work window from Alcosta Blvd. to Sycamore Valley Rd.

Mon. – Fri. 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.*
Sat. 8 p.m. to 9 a.m.
Sun. 8 p.m. to 10 a.m.

Work window from Sycamore Valley Rd. to El Pintado Rd.

Mon. – Fri 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.
Sat. 7 p.m. to 9 a.m.
Sun. 7 p.m. to 11 a.m.

Work window from El Pintado Rd. to Rudgear Road

Mon. – Fri. 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.*
Sat. 8 p.m. to 8 a.m.
Sun. 8 p.m. to 11 a.m.*





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*In some locations lanes will be opened earlier.

The contractor has placed K-rail on the median of northbound and southbound Interstate 680, between Sycamore Valley Road and Alcosta Blvd. On January 5, the contractor began demolition of the median barrier and removal of material at two locations. This work is expected to continue during the week of January 10.

Due to the freeway configuration and project constraints, the demolition is necessary to remove a portion of the barrier used for enforcement by California Highway Patrol between Bollinger Canyon Road and Alcosta Blvd. A second portion of barrier used by the CHP between Sycamore Valley Road and Crow Canyon Road is also being removed. At these locations the median is “flared” to allow California Highway Patrol vehicles access to northbound and southbound I-680. However, construction activities require that lanes be shifted toward the barrier, so this flare must be removed. These demolition activities must take place at night due to the lane closures required. Traffic will continue to be separated by a median with K-rail barrier on northbound and southbound I-680.

Upcoming work includes:

- 1) Saw-cutting on northbound I-680 between El Pintado Road and Rudgear Road.
- 2) Removing the median barrier and placing K-rail between Diablo Road and Rudgear Road. This barrier must be removed because future paving activities will raise the elevation of the roadway above the safety shape of the current median.

In the weeks and months ahead, the contractor will have crews working during the day and night in many locations on Interstate 680, between Rudgear Road and Alcosta Blvd. Many construction activities are weather dependent. Due to crew safety, backup alarms are required to be operational on all vehicles. However, Caltrans will do everything possible to reduce impacts to residents. Caltrans thanks the public for their patience during this extended construction project.

Information about the project may be found at the Caltrans District 4 website: www.dot.ca.gov/dist4 Please remember to “Slow for the Cone Zone.”

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