

College Avenue

Caltrans will cone off lanes on College Avenue near the Hwy 101 overpass between 9:00 a.m – 3:00 p.m. the week of May 1. These small-scale closures will begin Monday, May 1 and probably occur for several days.

During the closure, Caltrans will demolish median islands. This demolition is necessary to acquire more room for overpass construction.

After the islands are demolished sometime during the week of May 1 or, more likely, the week of May 8, Caltrans will close one lane of eastbound and westbound College Avenue. This closure will create enough space to allow work crews to build new overhead lanes on northbound and southbound Highway 101.

After the closure of one lane of eastbound and westbound lane, College Avenue will have been reduced from three lanes to two lanes in each direction. These closures will be in place for two years.

Caltrans advises motorists who will travel in this vicinity to allow extra time for the trip or to take an alternative route.

Steele Lane

Currently, westbound (WB) Steele Lane consists of two through-lanes and two left turn lanes. Eastbound (EB) Steele Lane consists of two through- lanes and one left turn lane.

Before 5 a.m on Monday, May 8, 2006, Caltrans will have closed one through-lane and one left turn lane on WB Steele Lane near Highway 101 and one through-lane on EB Steele Lane. The closure will extend several hundred feet on either side of the overpass.

In the after condition, westbound Steele Lane will have one through-lane and one left hand turn lane. Eastbound Steele Lane will have one though-lane and one left hand turn lane.

This closure will be in place for approximately two years.

According to the City of Santa Rosa, approximately 60,0000 vehicles per day travel on Steele Lane. Naturally, a closure of this magnitude and duration will impact traffic on Steele Lane and surrounding streets. Caltrans advises motorists who will travel in this vicinity to allow extra time for the trip. Choosing an alternative route and, if feasible, scheduling trips during non-peak periods is also recommended.

When this project is finished Steele Lane will have an additional through lane and Highway 101 will have a new carpool lane in each direction between Route 12 and Bicentennial Way.