



Daily Update
April 13

Geological Work

Devil's Slide (post mile 39.14)

- The scheduled review of the rock fall areas by Caltrans' Geologists took place today. As a result, drilling operations at the Devil's Slide location were suspended until removal of rocks and boulders 300 feet above the work area are removed.
- The drilling rig was re-located to begin the process of characterizing a relative small slide approximately 0.5 mile north of Devil's Slide. 100 feet deep test holes are required to perform measurements similar to those started at Devil's Slide. This smaller slide is located at post mile 39.77.
- Additional geological mapping of the slide took place. Geologists rappelled down the side of the cliff to assess slide movement. During mapping work, spotters were in place to detect any movement of rocks on the cliff above the roadway.
- Work on constructing a temporary road on the top of the cliff above the roadway began. The road is needed for crews to gain access to the areas where the loose rocks and boulders are located. A specialized machine, called a 'spider rig' was deployed and began preparing the area.

Traffic Operations

- Installing detour and 'business open' signs continued in Pacifica and Half Moon Bay.

Public Information

- Caltrans representatives provided an update to the Midcoast Community Council Meeting last night, 4/12/06, in Montara. Photographs and diagrams illustrated the damage at Devil's Slide. An explanation of slide geology followed. Attendees asked many questions and made a number of comments. The proceedings were recorded on video which residents are able to view.

- The presentation made to the Midcoast Community Council Meeting was similar to the one provided Monday night, 4/10/06, at the City of Pacifica Council meeting. It included a section on the Devil's Slide Tunnels Project. Additional public information meetings are planned for Pacifica and Half Moon Bay.
- The daily updates on the Caltrans' web site, the public meetings, and presentations to civic groups are part of a continuing effort by Caltrans to provide the public with up to date and accurate information.