



# CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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## STATE ROUTE 180 WIDENING PROJECT TO BEGIN NEXT WEEK IN MENDOTA

**WHAT:** PILOT CARS AND FLAGGERS WILL BE CONDUCTING INTERMITTENT REVERSING LANE CONTROL OPERATIONS IN ORDER TO IMPLEMENT HIGHWAY WIDENING IMPROVEMENT OPERATIONS

**WHEN:** BEGINNING NEXT WEEK, MONDAY, MAY 19<sup>TH</sup> - FRIDAY, MAY 23<sup>RD</sup>

DUE TO SEASONAL WEATHER TEMPERATURES, CONSTRUCTION OPERATIONS WILL BEGIN AT 6:00 A.M. UNTIL 3:30 P.M. EACH DAY. THIS SCHEDULE IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE ON A DAILY BASIS DUE TO CONTRACTOR WORKLOAD.

**WHERE:** IN FRESNO COUNTY, ON STATE ROUTE 180, FROM BELMONT AVENUE TO THE WHITESBRIDGE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY RAILROAD CROSSING

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that the State Route 180 East Widening Improvement Project began in March 2008 for initial utility work. Beginning next week, concrete K-Railing will be installed on State Route 180 from 500' feet just past Panoche Road in order to begin Highway widening construction operations.

RGW Construction, Inc. is the contractor on this \$9.1 million project. It is anticipated that this 3-mile project will be completed in September 2009. Reversing lane control operations with flaggers and pilot cars will be in place and motorists may experience up to a 20-minute delay in this area.

**The public will experience delays within the project limits during this time frame. Motorists are encouraged to use an alternate route whenever possible.**

Caltrans would like to thank the residents, businesses and commuters for their patience during this improvement project. The public is reminded to drive with extra care while travelling through this construction project. Please adhere to all construction signage, be alert to construction personnel and ***"Please Slow for the Cone Zone."***

For further information regarding this project, contact the Public Information Office at the numbers listed above.

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