

NEWS RELEASE



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Closures for I-5/SR-14 Direct HOV Connector Project

Sylmar/North San Fernando Valley — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close the following lanes, ramps, and connectors of the Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14) and the Golden State Freeway (I-5) as part of a \$161-million improvement project to construct High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lanes and a direct HOV lane connector at the I-5/SR-14 interchange. Closures are subject to change.

Antelope Valley Freeway (SR-14) Closures

Sunday, September 19, through Friday, September 24

- Southbound SR-14 Connector to Northbound I-5
TIME: 7 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- Southbound SR-14 Truck Route Connector to Northbound I-5
TIME: 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Southbound SR-14 San Fernando Road Off-ramp
TIME: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Golden State Freeway (I-5) Closures

Sunday, September 19, through Friday, September 24

- Northbound Truck Route Collector Road
TIME: 11 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- Northbound I-5 Sierra Highway On-ramp
TIME: 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Up to three lanes of Southbound I-5 from SR-14 to Balboa Boulevard
TIME: 11:59 p.m. to 4 a.m.
- Up to two lanes of Southbound I-5 from Weldon Canyon to SR-14
TIME: 11 p.m. to 4 a.m.
- Southbound I-5 Connector to Northbound SR-14
TIME: 11:59 p.m. to 11:59 a.m.

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- One lane of the Southbound I-5 Truck Route Collector Road
TIME: 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.
- Southbound I-5 Balboa Boulevard Off-ramp
TIME: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

This project involves the construction of an elevated two-lane direct HOV connector at the I-5/SR-14 interchange and construction of HOV lanes in both directions of I-5 at the interchange. A direct HOV connector will allow for freeway-to-freeway transfers without exiting the carpool lane.

The project will relieve congestion, improve traffic flow, enhance safety and improve traffic operations on both freeways at the interchange. The work is part of Caltrans' effort to provide motorists with a seamless carpool lane network in California.

Work began in July 2008 and is on track to wrap up in the fall of 2012. Caltrans thanks the motoring public for their patience and understanding during construction.

For more information, check out the project web page:

<http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist07/travel/projects/details.php?id=32>

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