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| **Thursday, August 15, 2013130815-1****In this Issue:** **Countdown to Orange County I-405 Freeway Closure - Scheduled to Begin This Weekend****Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Construction Notice** |
| **Countdown to Orange County I-405 Freeway Closure - Scheduled to Begin This Weekend**Full I-405 20 Hour Closure Scheduled Between I-605 and Valley View StreetThere are **2** days left until the 20-hour closure of the eastbound SR-22, northbound I-405 and southbound I-405 freeways **between I-605 and Valley View Street**. The closure is scheduled to commence Saturday, August 17, 2013 at 9:00 p.m. through Sunday, August 18, 2013 at 5:00 p.m. The [Orange County Transportation Authority](http://simplesend.com/simple/t.asp?S=336&ID=65555&NL=4423&N=81247&SI=4255814&URL=http://www.octa.net/)  (OCTA) recently opened the newly reconstructed connector between the southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) and the eastbound Garden Grove Freeway (SR-22), marking a milestone for the [West County Connectors project](http://simplesend.com/simple/t.asp?S=336&ID=65555&NL=4423&N=81247&SI=4255814&URL=http://www.octa.net/Freeways-and-Streets/Garden-Grove-Freeway-%28SR-22%29/West-County-Connectors/Project-Schedule-and-Upcoming-Construction/). Crews will now move forward to demolish the old structure, a major demolition activity that will require a full 20-hour closure of the I-405 freeway. OCTA and the construction team developed an [interactive Google map](http://simplesend.com/simple/t.asp?S=336&ID=65555&NL=4423&N=81247&SI=4255814&URL=https://maps.google.com/maps/ms?msid=205019920822877204952.0004d40fa081ecaaba1b1&msa=0) and list of recommended detours for this scheduled closure. Northbound I-405 detours:* Exit Beach Boulevard and turn right; take the westbound SR-22 on-ramp to reconnect with northbound I-405
* Exit Westminster Avenue (east) and turn left, turn right on Bolsa Chica Road and take the westbound SR-22 on-ramp to reconnect with the northbound I-405
* Exit Valley View Street and turn left on Garden Grove Boulevard, turn right on Valley View Street and take the westbound 22 on-ramp to reconnect with northbound I-405.

Southbound I-405 detours:* Exit Studebaker Road and turn right, turn left on East Second Street/Westminster Avenue, continue on Westminster Avenue to access southbound I-405
* Merge onto northbound I-605, exit Katella Avenue and turn right, turn right on Valley View Street to access southbound I-405.

Southbound I-605 detours:* Exit Willow Street and turn right, turn left on Studebaker Road, turn left on east Second Street/Westminster Avenue, continue on Westminster Avenue to access southbound I-405.

Motorists on Seventh Street and eastbound SR-22 should merge on northbound I-605, exit Katella Avenue and turn right on Valley View Street to access southbound I-405. For full closure details as found on The Source, including a map of the closures and helpful links, please click [here.](http://simplesend.com/simple/t.asp?S=336&ID=65555&NL=4423&N=81247&SI=4255814&URL=http://thesource.metro.net/2013/08/12/meanwhile-at-the-other-end-of-the-i-405/) **Crenshaw/LAX Transit Corridor Construction Notice**Sanitary Sewer RelocationAs part of advance utility relocation activities for the Crenshaw/LAX Transit Project, Metro’s contractor, Metro Builders, is anticapted to begin a new phase of the on-going sewer relocation work on Monday, August 19, 2013. Work will now begin on Victoria Street from 67th Street to the Burlington Northern Railroad Track. This operation is scheduled between 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and is anticipated to last two months. Lane closures will be implemented on South Victoria during the hours of operation; however access for local residents and businesses will be maintained. Work activities will include installing new 18-inch VCP sewer and manholes, abandoning and capping in place the existing VCP sanitary sewer lines. This work is necessary in the City of Los Angeles to make room for the underground tunnel section of the Crenshaw Light Rail Line. To view the complete construction notice, please click [here](http://libraryarchives.metro.net/DB_Attachments/130815_Relo_Sewer_Victoria_RR_Crossing.pdf).  |
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