MTA, Caltrans to Open Car Pool Lane in Santa Clarita/Antelope Valley

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(October 6) The MTA will join Caltrans and local elected officials on Thursday, Oct. 7, to officially open the second segment of a car pool lane along Route 14 linking Santa Clarita with Palmdale and Lancaster.

The new 10.7-mile car pool lane is located between Sand Canyon Road and Escondido Canyon Road and is expected to carry approximately 4,000 persons per hour during the peak period commute.

The MTA provided all the funding for the project s \$32 million construction cost. The project s design was funded by Caltrans.

Over the next six years, three other High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes are scheduled to open along State Route 14 with the entire 36-mile HOV corridor scheduled to be completed in 2004 at a projected cost of \$127 million.

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