MOTORIST ADVISORY



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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Closures for I-5 HOV Improvement Project (SR-118 to SR-170)

ARLETA — The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) plans to implement the closures listed below December 29-31, 2014, as part of a project that is constructing High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lanes and a direct HOV connector at the I-5/SR-170 interchange. *There will be no construction closures for this project January 1-2, 2015.*

Residents may hear some construction noise, but it will not exceed levels permitted by state and federal regulations.

Resources for Motorists:

- More information about the project is <u>here</u>.
- Closure information for this and other freeway projects is available on the <u>Caltrans website</u>.
 Closures are subject to change.
- For real-time traffic information, visit <u>quickmap.dot.ca.gov</u>, <u>go511.com</u>, or call 5-1-1.

Northbound I-5

Lanes

Up to four lanes between Sheldon Street and SR-118: 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.
 Note: The most restrictive closures (i.e., the most lanes closed) will occur between midnight and 4 a.m.

Southbound I-5

Lanes

• Up to five lanes between SR-118 and Sheldon Street: 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

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Long-Term On-Ramp Closure

Branford Street to southbound I-5 (opens January 2015)

Northbound SR-170

Lanes

• Up to two lanes between Roscoe Boulevard and Sheldon Street/Arleta Street: 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Southbound SR-170

Lanes

• Up to two lanes between I-5 and Roscoe Boulevard: 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

About the Project

Caltrans is constructing an HOV lane in each direction on I-5 between the Hollywood Freeway (SR-170) and SR-118, a distance of 6.8 miles (3.4 miles in each direction). The project is also widening four undercrossings, replacing sections of pavement, and building a direct HOV connector at the I-5/SR-170 interchange. A direct HOV connector allows for freeway-to-freeway transfers without exiting the carpool lane.

This project will alleviate congestion, encourage carpooling, improve air quality, and provide a smoother ride for motorists. The work is part of Caltrans' effort to provide motorists with a seamless carpool lane network in California. Work began in August 2010 and is on track for completion in early 2015. Funding administered by Metro.

For the safety of the construction crew and motorists, please be attentive to closures, slow for the cone zone, and move over one lane where possible.

Caltrans thanks motorists for their patience and understanding during construction. For more information, visit <u>I-5info.com</u>.

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