



Caltrans Commuter Alert

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Long Term Closure of Alondra Boulevard begins June 9

Alondra Bridge Demolition begins June 14

SANTA FE SPRINGS – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will begin a long-term full closure on a segment of Alondra Boulevard, the Alondra Boulevard Bridge, and the northbound Interstate 5 on-ramp at Alondra Boulevard beginning Sunday, June 9 at 7 p.m. as part of the Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) South Corridor Improvement Projects to widen the freeway, add a carpool lane and reconstruct the Alondra Bridge.

To prepare the roadway, the bridge and the on-ramp for a long-term closure, overnight work will occur on Sunday, June 9 to re-stripe Alondra Boulevard, place k-rail (concrete barriers) and other work to get ready for the Alondra Bridge demolition that is scheduled to begin on Friday night, June 14 and continue for six weekends.

On Monday morning, June 10, local commuters will be directed and encouraged to use the marked detours on Valley View Avenue, Artesia Boulevard and Carmenita Road. The closed segment of Alondra Boulevard extends between Freeway Drive and Marquardt Avenue in both directions.

The bridge, and this portion of Alondra Blvd., will be fully-closed until mid-to-late 2014 and the northbound I-5 on-ramp at Alondra Blvd. is expected to re-open before the new bridge opens to traffic. The 57-year-old Alondra Boulevard Bridge will be widened from a four-lane to a six-lane bridge, with three lanes in each direction, and will also be longer to accommodate a wider I-5 freeway.

The Alondra Boulevard Bridge demolition work will take place overnight for six weekends - Friday and Saturday nights (weather permitting). Three weekends of demolition work is scheduled per each half of the bridge, as follows:

- *The demolition work is scheduled to begin on Friday night June 14 to Saturday morning June 15; and again on Saturday night June 15 to Sunday morning June 16.*
- *Friday night 6/21 to Saturday morning 6/22; and Saturday night 6/22 to Sunday morning 6/23;*
- *Friday night 6/28 to Saturday morning 6/29; and Saturday night 6/29 to Sunday morning 6/30;*

Then, the demolition work switches to the opposite side of the bridge and freeway:

- *Friday night 7/5 to Saturday morning 7/6; and Saturday night 7/6 to Sunday morning 7/7;*
- *Friday night 7/12 to Saturday morning 7/13; and Saturday night 7/13 to Sunday morning 7/14;*
- *Friday night 7/19 to Saturday morning 7/20; and Saturday night 7/20 to Sunday morning 7/21.*

Overnight, Directional FULL FREEWAY CLOSURES on the Santa Ana Freeway (Interstate 5)

between Valley View Avenue and Carmenita Road will occur during the bridge demolition weekends.

- One direction of I-5 will fully close each night.
- Also, up to two freeway lanes will be closed in the opposite direction during demolition work for the safety of work crews and motorists.
- The westbound SR-91 freeway connector to northbound I-5 will be closed during the demolition.
- The on-ramps at Artesia Boulevard and Valley View Boulevard will be closed during the demolition.

The motoring public, residents and businesses are encouraged to sign-up for regular notification on freeway lane, ramp and local street closures. Call the toll-free I-5 South Corridor Improvement Projects Hotline (855) 454-6335 or visit www.I-5info.com. Please consider the detour in your commute and allow extra time to arrive at your destination.

The work is part of the \$110 million Santa Ana Freeway (I-5) HOV Widening and Alondra Boulevard Bridge Project to construct one carpool and one general purpose lane in each direction, from North Fork Coyote Creek Bridge to Marquardt Avenue, reconstruct overcrossings at Alondra Boulevard and North Fork Coyote Creek, and realign and upgrade adjacent frontage roads. The entire scope of work includes bridge demolition and reconstruction, retaining wall construction and roadway improvements on Alondra Boulevard. The contractor is C.C. Myers, Inc. of Anaheim.