

News Release

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Southbound I-5 Closed November 7 to 10

Full Freeway Closure from SR-52 to the Mission Bay Drive Onramp

SAN DIEGO — The Caltrans [I-5 Asset Management Project](#) team will close all lanes of southbound Interstate 5 (I-5) from State Route 52 (SR-52) to the Mission Bay Drive onramp starting Friday, November 7 at 9:00 p.m. to Monday, November 10 at 5:00 a.m. to conduct roadwork and concrete slab replacement.



Southbound I-5 motorists are advised to take southbound Interstate 805 (I-805) at Sorrento Valley, connect to southbound State Route 163 (SR-163), connect to westbound Interstate 8 (I-8) then connect to I-5.

Vehicles traveling past southbound I-805 will be able to exit and enter I-5 at Genesee Avenue, westbound La Jolla Village Drive, and Nobel Drive.

Entrances and exits at Gilman Drive and eastbound La Jolla Village Drive will be closed.

Vehicles driving south of Gilman Drive will be detoured to eastbound SR-52.

Vehicles driving westbound on SR-52 will detour to La Jolla Parkway or northbound I-5.

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Vehicles driving eastbound on La Jolla Parkway will not be able to connect to southbound I-5 and will detour to eastbound SR-52.

Portable changeable message signs will be placed along the routes advising of the closure and suggesting alternate routes.

Businesses near Damon Avenue should anticipate construction noise and lighting during the closure.

TRANSIT

All southbound Metropolitan Transit Service bus routes from La Jolla and University Town Center (UTC) will be running as usual. Bus route 30 travels from La Jolla to Old Town on the west side of I-5 while route 105 travels from UTC to Old Town on the east side of I-5. Parking is available at the Nobel Drive and UTC stations. Blue Line Trolley service will remain available as an alternative to travel from Sorrento Valley to all points south.

MEDIA

Interviews are available in person or virtually upon request in lieu of a News Conference at the District Office.

This is the fourth of several full freeway closures for the I-5 Asset Management Project.

The I-5 Asset Management Project will ensure that the southern a segment of I-5 remains in a state of good repair while improving ride quality, and reducing maintenance needs in the cities of San Diego, Chula Vista, and National City from Camino De La Plaza to 0.3 just south of Via De La Valle. This important effort is focused on preserving existing infrastructure, improving safety, and modernizing the corridor to meet current and future transportation needs.

The project will rehabilitate pavement along the main roadway, shoulders, and freeway ramps to extend the service life of the existing pavement. Beyond resurfacing, the project incorporates a broad range of upgrades to improve performance, safety, and environmental conservation.

The total project cost is \$113,745,800 and is funded by the State Highway Operation Protection Program with \$102,618,300 in Federal funds and \$11,127,500 in State Funds SB1 funds.

This project is part of \$1.6 billion worth of work in San Diego County and a segment of the [\\$623 million investment](#) to improve safety and infrastructure on I-5, I-805 and SR-78.

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The work schedule is subject to change due to weather, traffic incidents, or other construction considerations.

For real-time traffic information including traffic speed, lane, and road closures due to construction and maintenance activities, and more, go to <http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/>.

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