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Night Work Closes I-8 to I-5 Connector Ramp

SAN DIEGO – Construction crews will close the connector ramp from westbound Interstate 8 (I-8) to northbound Interstate 5 (I-5) as well as two lanes of northbound I-5 between I-8 and Sea World Drive Sunday through Thursday from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., according to Caltrans.

Traffic on westbound I-8 will be detoured to southbound I-5 to the Old Town Avenue offramp and then back on to the Old Town Avenue northbound I-5 on-ramp. Motorists are advised to allow for extra travel time due to high traffic volumes in this area even in the evening hours.

Crews are doing excavation work as part of the I-5/I-8 Connector Project that will construct a lane on westbound I-8 at the connector ramp to northbound I-5, and add a northbound lane and auxiliary lane on I-5 from the interchange north to Sea World Drive. The project is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2016.

More information about the project is available at <u>www.dot.ca.gov/dist11/facts</u> and at <u>http://www.keepsandiegomoving.com/Connectors/connectorsintroduction.aspx</u>.

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