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Night Closures Scheduled for Westbound I-8 Connector to Northbound I-5

SAN DIEGO – The connector ramp from westbound Interstate 8 (I-8) to northbound Interstate 5 (I-5) will be closed on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday nights at 9:30 until 5 in the morning for striping and k-rail barrier placement, according to Caltrans.

Crews will also close two lanes of northbound I-5 between I-8 and Sea World Drive on Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. for paving as part of the I-5/I-8 Connector Project.

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.

The I-5/I-8 Connector Project will add a lane on westbound I-8 at the connector ramp to northbound I-5, and an additional 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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