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Los Peñasquitos Lagoon Bridges Replacement Work Progressing to Replace Aging Rail Bridges

Since construction began last month, crews have been working continuously to replace four critical rail bridges over the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon. Preliminary work included installing special fencing to help protect the lagoon during construction. Construction will soon begin on a temporary support structure alongside the existing northernmost rail bridge. The temporary structure will provide a platform to locate machinery and materials needed to build the bridge.



Crews preparing for construction of the northernmost rail bridge.

Night Work Planned in Advance of October Weekend Rail Line Closures

Much of the major work on the bridges will be conducted during so-called Absolute Work Windows (AWWs). AWWs are select weekends where all rail service is temporarily suspended so construction crews can work unimpeded. Three AWWs are planned in October. In preparation, some work will be done at night near the northernmost rail bridge. Construction hours are Monday - Friday, 6 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. There also will be some intermittent night work as needed until the project is complete. Work schedules are subject to change. The contractor will take all reasonable steps to minimize noise. We appreciate your patience during construction.

About the Project

SANDAG is working in collaboration with the North County Transit District (NCTD) to replace the four aging, wooden trestle railway bridges in the Los Peñasquitos Lagoon with modern concrete bridges. The lagoon bridges were built between the 1910s and 1930s and have aged beyond the average operating life of 75 years. The new single-track bridges will help meet current/future demand for intercity, commuter, and freight rail services. Construction began in August 2015 and is expected to last approximately two years.

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Project Map



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