



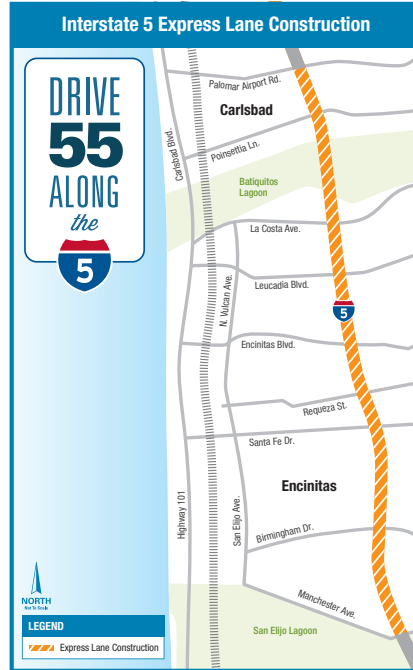
Vegetation Removal Required, 1,500+ Trees to Be Replanted

This winter, Caltrans and SANDAG Build NCC crews are preparing to switch construction operations to the outside shoulders of Interstate 5 (I-5). As part of this preparatory work, trees and vegetation will need to be removed along the east and west sides of the freeway in order to accommodate the construction of an Express Lane in each direction between Lomas Santa Fe Drive in the City of Solana Beach and Palomar Airport Road in the City of Carlsbad.

In coordination with local city partners, Caltrans and SANDAG have taken great care in developing design and construction plans that reduce the overall footprint of this highway construction project and limit intrusion into vegetated areas. Additionally, during construction, trees along the project limits are being re-evaluated on a case-by-case basis by a Caltrans environmental specialist to determine if they may remain in place.

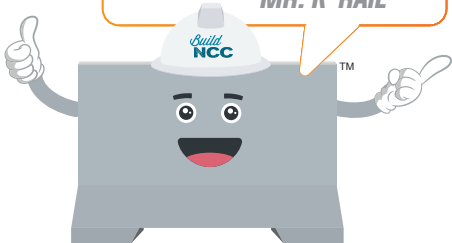
Upon project completion, approximately 1,550 new Torrey Pines and Coast Live Oaks will be planted within the project limits, along with thousands of other non-invasive native shrubs and hydroseeded groundcover. The new plantings will be irrigated with 100 percent recycled water.

For more information, please visit KeepSanDiegoMoving.com/BuildNCC, email BuildNCC@KeepSanDiegoMoving.com, or call 844-NCC-0050.



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Build NCC is a collaborative effort between the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG), Caltrans, and the United States Department of Transportation. The first phase of construction is in the cities of Solana Beach, Encinitas, and Carlsbad as part of the North Coast Corridor Program. Build NCC includes extending the existing carpool lane on I-5 in each direction from Lomas Santa Fe Drive to State Route 78, double tracking the rail line and replacing the highway and rail bridges at the San Elijo Lagoon, restoring the San Elijo Lagoon, and constructing nearly seven miles of new bike and pedestrian trails. Construction on Build NCC began in early 2017 and will be complete by 2022.



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