

I-5 CONSTRUCTION SWITCHES TO OUTSIDE SHOULDERS



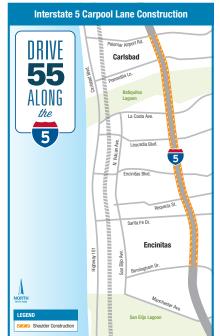
What to Expect

Beginning in early May, Caltrans and SANDAG Build NCC highway construction crews will shift construction operations in phases from the Interstate 5 (I-5) median to the outside shoulders in both north and southbound directions between Birmingham Drive in Encinitas and Palomar Airport Road in Carlsbad.

Nearby residents and businesses can expect noise and lights, including Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) required vehicle back-up alarms. Crews will work to minimize noise and impacts to all nearby communities.

Crews have spent the past 18 months completing inside freeway widening along I-5. Crews anticipate spending the next 18 months on outside freeway widening in order to accommodate one new Carpool/High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) Lane in each direction. Crews also will realign all existing on- and off-ramps within the project limits to tie into the widened freeway.

Once complete in 2022, motorists will enjoy a new Carpool/HOV Lane in each direction on I-5, between Lomas Santa Fe Drive in Solana Beach and State Route 78 in Oceanside.



















Caltrans, SANDAG, and CHP thank San Diego County residents for their continued patience during highway construction and cooperation of "Driving 55 on the 5" along the 8-mile project limits between Lomas Santa Fe Dr. in Solana Beach and Palomar Airport Rd. in Carlsbad. Motorists are reminded to **Be Work Zone Alert, Move Over** a lane when safe to do so, and slow down when highway workers are present with flashing amber lights.

Public works construction is deemed essential and work continues during the pandemic. Our partners, contractors and workers are following U.S. Center for Disease Control and California Department of Public Health guidelines. For more information about COVID-19, visit: **covid19.ca.gov/**.





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