

South Bay

Rapid



Have you tried out the new South Bay *Rapid* bus service yet? This new, fast and convenient transit choice offers service every 30 minutes from the Otay Mesa Port of Entry to Downtown San Diego. Check out the [new route map and schedule](#) or use the [Trip Planner](#) to simplify your commute!

The list below shows planned construction activities for the South Bay *Rapid* project. Please note, construction schedules are subject to change and community members may see trucks and staged equipment at various locations around the project.

Si desea obtener información en español, por favor comuníquese al (619) 699-1950 o pio@sandag.org.

Construction of the dedicated transit guideway on East Palomar Street between Heritage Road and Paseo Ladera is expected to continue through mid-2020. Motorists can expect reduced lane widths, lane closures, restricted turn lanes, and traffic control in the area. Motorists are encouraged to give themselves more time and anticipate traffic delays or consider taking an alternate route to reach their destination.

Construction activities for the week of June 8

I-805 to Heritage Road (Segment 1A) – City of Chula Vista

- MTS will perform testing of the dedicated transit guideway between Heritage Road and Medical Center Drive using standard vehicles on Friday, June 12.
- MTS will tentatively perform testing of the dedicated transit guideway using MTS *Rapid* buses on the morning of Monday, June 15. The intersection at Heritage road will be placed in “red flash” mode during testing and flaggers will control the intersection during the testing until mid-day.
- MTS will tentatively begin using the dedicated transit guideway for the South Bay *Rapid* Route 225 service on Tuesday, June 16. Traffic barriers will be removed from intersections. Regular MTS buses will continue to use the general purpose lanes for Route 712 and Route 704.
- Intermittent flagging and flashing traffic signals between Medical Center Drive/Brandywine Avenue and Paseo Ladera along East Palomar Street.
- Closure of the right turn lane of northbound Paseo Ladera onto eastbound East Palomar Street.
- Closure of single lane on eastbound East Palomar Street from Gould Avenue to Paseo Ladera.
- Closure of single lane on eastbound East Palomar Street from Brashear Place to Heritage Road.

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- Closure of right lane on southbound Medical Center Drive between Wildauer Street and East Palomar Street.
- Closure of right lane on northbound Brandywine Avenue at East Palomar Street.
- Closure of single lane on westbound East Palomar Street from Heritage Road to Santa Olivia Drive.
- Closure of single lane on westbound East Palomar Street from Paseo Ladera to Gould Avenue.
- Closure of the sidewalk in the south parkway of East Palomar Street between Heritage Road and Brashear Place. Pedestrian detours will be in place.
- The outside lane, including the bicycle lane, will be closed on eastbound and westbound East Palomar Street between Heritage Road and Medical Center Drive for landscape work in the parkways. A single lane will be available in both directions for motorists and cyclists.
- The traffic signals at the intersections of Santa Maria/Santa Sierra drives, and Santa Olivia/Santa Carina roads on East Palomar Street will remain on red light flash temporarily.

Olympic Parkway to State Route 125 (SR 125) (Segment 2) – City of Chula Vista

- Periodic maintenance throughout the area can be expected.

Town Center Drive to Birch Road (Segment 2) – City of Chula Vista

- Periodic maintenance throughout the area can be expected.

Nicola Tesla Court (Segment 3) – City of San Diego

- Construction has been completed.

CORRIDOR-WIDE SAFETY MESSAGE: Testing on the dedicated transit guideway will begin June 12. Nearby residents and motorists can expect MTS buses traveling the route and within the guideway daily. No private vehicles of any kind should ever enter the guideway or guideway bridge. The guideway is reserved only for MTS vehicles and, in rare circumstances, emergency medical services. Additionally, pedestrians should never walk in the guideway and must stay on designated sidewalks at all times. The guideway is a very important component to the Rapid system and is not intended for the public to use when not traveling via a Rapid bus. As a reminder, violators will be fined and/or receive a citation if cited by law enforcement. For the safety of motorists, pedestrians, and commuters alike, we kindly ask for your cooperation. Stay safe, stay out.

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