



# NEWS RELEASE

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### TEMPORARY REDUCTION IN VERTICAL CLEARANCE INTERSTATE 5 IN STOCKTON

**Stockton-** The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) has reduced the vertical clearance on local cross streets under Interstate 5 (I-5) as part of the I-5 North Stockton Improvement Project.

Crews needed to reduce the vertical clearance to a minimum of 14'4" at Benjamin Holt Drive, Alpine Avenue, Michigan Avenue and March Lane for the falsework required in order to widen the structures on I-5 at these locations. This falsework will allow for the widening of the structures without having to close the local roads for several months, impacting traffic in the City of Stockton.

Reduced clearance at Benjamin Holt Drive, Alpine Avenue and Michigan Avenue is already in place. Crews will reduce the clearance at March Lane by October 19. Each structure is anticipated to operate in this capacity for up to 5 months, but could be extended due to equipment availability and weather conditions.

The \$122.1 million I-5 North Stockton Improvements Project will add High Occupancy Vehicle lanes, auxiliary lanes and soundwalls, from Hammer Lane to south of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. The project also reconstructs the existing six-lane freeway with continuously reinforced concrete pavement between Hammer Lane and Country Club Boulevard. The contractor for the project is R & L Brosamer, Inc. of Walnut Creek, CA.

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For the safety of workers and other motorists, please Slow For the Cone Zone and move over when you see flashing lights.

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