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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FULL HIGHWAY CLOSURE STATE ROUTE 99 FROM STATE ROUTE 140 TO G STREET IN MERCED COUNTY

Merced County – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close northbound State Route 99 (SR-99) from SR-140 (near 16th Street) to G Street for road construction and bridge activities beginning Wednesday, April 16, 2014, through Friday, April 18, 2014, from 7:00 p.m. until 6:00 a.m.

Work will also occur as follows:

- The northbound on-ramp from SR-140 (near 15th Street) to SR-99 is closed and scheduled to reopen May of 2014;
- The northbound off-ramp from SR-99 to SR-140 (near 16th Street) is closed and scheduled to reopen May of 2014;
- The southbound on-ramp from G Street to SR-99 is closed and scheduled to reopen May of 2014;
- The northbound off-ramp from SR-99 to G Street is closed and scheduled to reopen May of 2014;
- The eastbound connector ramp from SR-140 to SR-99/ near 17th Street (Main Street) is closed and scheduled to reopen May of 2014.

In addition, crews closed 15th Street under SR-99 on January 1, 2014, and the surface street is anticipated to reopen May of 2014.

Motorists should expect 5 minute delays. A signed detour is in place and alternate routes should be taken whenever possible.

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Construction is scheduled to begin as listed, but is subject to change due to traffic incidents, weather, availability of equipment and/ or materials, and construction related issues.

This work is part of the \$32.4 million State Route 99 East Merced Overhead Project which began on June 11, 2012. The project will replace the bridge decks on the 15th Street Undercrossing and the East Merced Overhead Structures. The project will also bring the bridge widths and bridge rails to current standards; install a concrete median barrier; provide standard shoulder widths; and upgrade the existing guard rails and bridge approach rails.

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For the safety of workers and other motorists, please Slow For the Cone Zone.

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