

Commuter Alert

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For Immediate Release

**State Route 74 Lane Widening
Near Lake Elsinore
Weeknight Full Closures
*May 15 through 18***

RIVERSIDE, CA – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) continues work on State Route 74 (SR-74) in Riverside County from the Riverside and Orange County border to Monte Vista Street just west of Lake Elsinore. Crews will perform work in various locations throughout the project zone.

WEEKNIGHT FULL CLOSURES: One-way traffic control with escorts will be in place from 8 p.m. to 9:59 p.m. During the hours of 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., the route will be CLOSED to through traffic.

RESIDENTS AND COMMUTERS will need to utilize the alternate routes to go around the closure each night **BEGINNING AT 10 p.m.** Access through the work zone will be prohibited during the previously stated hours. **Work will take place nightly, east of the County line on SR-74, Monday through Friday.** A 55-hour **FULL weekend closure** will follow from May 19 through 22, more information will be provided in a follow up alert.

Residents on Tenaja Truck Trail or west of Tenaja Truck Trail, including the Ortega Oaks RV Park and Campground and The Candy Store, will be directed to Lake Elsinore, and WILL NOT be given access to go through to Orange County during the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Residents at Long Canyon and Decker Canyon will be directed to Lake Elsinore and WILL NOT be given access to go through to Orange County during the hours of 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

Be advised, you will experience long waits and delays due to construction operations. Please wait for the designated escort through the construction zone.

Please obey all posted signs and traffic instructions, including the escort, as CHP will be on location and citing any offenders.

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Residents will be escorted in and out of the construction zones from their designated areas of access.

This is an ACTIVE construction zone! The contractor may be changing locations nightly, which will affect the direction of travel for residents that live within the construction zone.

Reminder: One-way traffic control with escorts will be in place from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. During the hours of 10:01 p.m. to 5 a.m., the route will be closed to **through** traffic, at the above-mentioned location, for various work operations. This night work will occur Monday through Friday. **It is advised to use an alternate route to avoid these long delays such as SR-91, I-15, and I-5.**

For up-to-date information and to sign up for commuter alerts, please go to the website: [SR-74 Ortega Widening Project.](#)

Use caution and expect delays during construction hours. Law enforcement will be on scene to assist with traffic control. Remember to reduce your speed in and surrounding the work zone. Be advised, weather may affect construction schedule.

Know before you go! To stay on top of roadwork in the Inland Empire go to [Caltrans District 8](#) and sign up for commuter alerts. Follow us for the latest information on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). To assist in planning your commute, view live traffic conditions using [QuickMap](#) and [planned lane closures](#).

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