

Date: March 27, 2014
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"NEWS ADVISORY: Caltrans to Detail Improved Fix/50 W/X Viaduct Project Plan"

WHO: Jody Jones, Caltrans District 3 Director
City of Sacramento
City of West Sacramento
Sacramento County officials
Law enforcement

WHAT: Caltrans will join with local officials and law enforcement to announce that the Fix50 W/X Viaduct project on Highway 50 near downtown Sacramento will begin April 22—two weeks earlier than originally planned—and reduce congestion by keeping more lanes open during construction.

"We listened to hundreds of local community groups, public officials and law enforcement and incorporated the community's best recommendations into this new plan for the Fix50 project," said Caltrans District 3 Director Jody Jones. "Drivers should still expect significant congestion on Highway 50 near downtown from April 22 through June 25, but this new plan keeps more lanes open to traffic during construction."

Rather than closing one side of the freeway at a time to do the work, at least two lanes on the construction side will stay open. All lanes in the opposite direction of the construction will stay open as well. This new plan increases the total number of open lanes during construction on Highway 50 from 5 to 8 available lanes. Ramp closures will also be reduced.

Eastbound construction will take place April 22 through May 21, with no work during Memorial Day Weekend. Westbound construction will be May 27 through June 25.

The Fix50 project website, www.fix50.com, will continue to provide daily updated information regarding construction and project status. Follow @Fix_50 on Twitter and on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Fix50WX>

WHEN: Friday, March 28, 2014 at 11:30 a.m.

WHERE: Empty lot on 21st Street, between X and W Streets in Downtown Sacramento, CA.



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