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We Are Here To Get You There...On I-15

San Bernardino County – Caltrans is pleased to announce that it has and will begin three improvement projects on Interstate 15 in 2007 between Barstow and the Nevada State Line. Two of the projects will regrade the median, improve drainage and add guardrail. The other project will add a truck-climbing lane on southbound I-15 just south of Baker. The ongoing Barstow 50-mile pavement rehabilitation project is nearing completion, which is expected by spring 2007.

With all the new roadwork taking place on I-15, lane closures will be necessary. The lane closures may restrict one of two lanes within the project limits over a 24-hour period, night or day, Monday through Friday. Motorists may expect up to an hour delay during lane closures between noon and 6:00 p.m. (peak traffic periods). Lane closures will not take place on northbound I-15 on Friday afternoons or weekends.

Please plan ahead before you travel. Be prepared for delays as you make your trip across the desert. Bring a charged cell phone, warm clothing, water and snacks. As soon as you see orange cones ahead, know you are heading into the Cone Zone. Most Cone Zone collisions occur without warning, before cars even reach the cones. If you slow from 65 to 55 mph for one mile, you only lose 10 seconds on your travel time.

Caltrans wants motorists and truckers to be assured that we intend to keep you informed and get you where you want to go. For updates on any Caltrans roadwork in Riverside and San Bernardino Counties, please go to our website at caltrans8.info and sign up for alerts under "CT Connect". You may also call us toll free at (866) 383-4631.

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