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SR-91 Green River Road Bridge Groundbreaking Ceremony in Corona

Corona- Grab a shovel and a hard hat. Caltrans, the City of Corona and the Riverside County Transportation Commission will host an outdoor ceremony marking the start of work on a bigger and better bridge at Green River Road in Corona. The groundbreaking ceremony will be held Friday March 2, 2007 at 2 PM on Green River Road approximately one quarter of a mile south of SR91. The ceremony is open to the public; comfortable shoes are recommended.

Speakers will include Congressman Ken Calvert, Assemblyman Todd Spitzer, California Department of Transportation Director Will Kempton, Riverside County Transportation Commission Chairwoman Terry Henderson, and Corona Mayor Pro Tem Jeff Miller. Following the presentations, officials will don hard hats, roll up their sleeves, and “dig in” to symbolize the teamwork involved in bringing a new Green River Bridge to State Route 91 (SR-91).

The \$21 million dollar project is funded through a combination of federal, state, city and Measure A funds. Measure A is Riverside’s County’s voter-approved half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements. Caltrans will serve as the lead agency on the project overseeing construction and will coordinate public outreach.

Work will begin this spring on this two-year project. The bridge will be widened to six lanes, an ADA compliant sidewalk will be added to the structure, all four ramps will be modified to accommodate the height of the new bridge, and two California Highway Patrol enforcement areas will be constructed.





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The first phase of the project will be to construct the east side of the new bridge. Traffic will be moved to the new east side in the second phase allowing demolition of the old bridge and construction of the second half of the new structure. Ramps will be modified in order to maintain access to the interchange for the duration of the project. When the new structure is complete the ramps will be improved and elevated to meet the height of the new structure. To minimize delays three lanes will be maintained on the bridge at all times.

The bigger and better structure will be taller, wider and longer. Caltrans is building today for tomorrow's improvements on SR-91. In anticipation of the new bond funding known as Corridor Mobility Improvement Account (CMIA) the Riverside Freeway will see improvements sooner than later.

Visit Caltrans8.info for project information. Click on the link to The News and Document Center where you can sign up to receive news releases and commuter updates regarding the project. You may contact the local district office for Caltrans at 909-383-4631 or 866-383-4631. Please always Slow for the Cone Zone. The life you save may be your own.

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