



COMMUTER ALERT

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-10 MOTORISTS BE ADVISED OF DELAYS ON I-10 AGAIN THIS WEEKEND FOR DESERT EVENT

SAN BERNARDINO – Caltrans, District 8 is advising motorists and event goers for this weekend's Stagecoach Country Music Festival that traffic delays are expected on Interstate 10 (I-10) between Beaumont and Indio beginning Friday, April 24, through Monday, April 27.

The Stagecoach event begins around noon Friday with heavy traffic expected on eastbound I-10 going toward the event. It ends late Sunday evening with some traffic expected on westbound I-10 and northbound SR-111. This event draws many recreational vehicle (RV) users who will stay the night Sunday and leave on Monday morning, which will again cause delays on westbound I-10 throughout the day between Indio and Beaumont.

Caltrans is urging the motoring public who use I-10 between Beaumont and Indio to try and avoid travel Friday, April 24 through Monday, April 27, to avoid spending long hours in a traffic queue with very few alternate routes.

If you must travel I-10 between Indio and Beaumont this weekend here are some helpful tips:

- Travel early morning hours if possible.
- **BRING WATER!** Also bring snacks and necessary medication.
- Have a full tank of gas.
- Make sure your car is in good running condition.
- Bring a *charged* cell phone (with a car charger).
- Use the restroom before you travel between Beaumont and Indio.
- Bring patience, please.
- Follow traffic on Caltrans Quickmap <http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/>

Motorists can use the Caltrans Quickmap to map out the best detour route, such as SR 62 or SR 74. **If you are coming west from Arizona use I-40 in lieu of I-10.** Caltrans will activate the overhead Changeable Message Signs (CMS) and also contact the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) to help inform the public of impending delays this weekend. **Know before you go, check local traffic radio stations for information, or try and avoid the area if possible.** Follow us on Twitter at *caltrans8* or go to www.caltrans8.info and sign up for commuter alerts.

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