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STATE ROUTE 38 PAVING PROJECT RESUMES SOME WORK

SAN BERNARDINO – The paving project on State Route 38 (SR 38) in the San Bernardino Mountains will resume striping work after being suspended throughout the winter. The project began last May and was suspended in December due to low temperatures which have an adverse affect on paving operations.

The project is rehabilitating pavement from Forest Falls to north of SR 18 in Big Bear City. Caltrans hired All American Asphalt, who last year completed a good portion of paving including guardrail installation and rumble strips in the median.

Work will begin on Monday, May 18, to start striping on the completed pavement portions. The striping work will continue through the end of June, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. One way traffic control will be necessary so Caltrans is advising motorists to expect delays for up to fifteen (15) minutes.

Approximately seven (7) miles of pavement work remains for SR 38. The 7-mile segment lies in an area where an endangered bird species called the Southwestern Willow Flycatcher is nesting between May and September. Therefore, paving operations are suspended until September at which time the contractor will start work again and complete the project by the end of the year.

The rehabilitated pavement will provide a smoother ride for motorists while the added rumble strip and guardrail will enhance safety. Motorists are reminded that other construction projects are taking place on SR 38 with traffic control features, so plan ahead and use SR 330 if possible when traveling to Big Bear. All road work is weather dependent.

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