



CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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MAINTENANCE ROADWORK

Riverside/San Bernardino Counties – In an effort to keep you informed and to alert you of any maintenance roadwork that may cause delays, Caltrans will now provide a weekly update. The information below is not all maintenance work on state highways, but some work that you may want to avoid as you commute around the Inland Empire.

DATE	LOCATION	# LANES CLOSED	CLOSURE HOURS
June 22 Sunday	I-215 northbound connector to I-10 eastbound	#1 & 2 lanes closed on I-215 and the connector to I-10	6:00 am to 3:00 pm Bridge repair
June 23-27 Mon-Fri	SR-60 both directions from Milliken to Reservoir	Close carpool lanes	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Drain cleaning
June 23 Monday	SR-60 at Nason St.	#2 lane closed	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Bridge repair
June 23 Monday	SR-91 from OC County Line to McKinley	Moving closure by ramps	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Sweep ramps
June 23 Monday	I-15 northbound in Cajon Pass (truck climbing lanes)	#5 lane closed	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Slab repair
June 24 Tuesday	SR-91 from OC County Line to McKinley	Moving closure by ramps and right shoulder	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Sweeping
June 24 Tuesday	SR-91 both directions at Main St.	Close carpool lanes	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Median repair
June 25 Wednesday	SR-60 eastbound at Moreno Beach Dr.	#2 lane closed	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Bridge repair
June 25 Wednesday	SR-91 from OC County Line to McKinley	Moving closure by ramps and right shoulder	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Sweeping
June 26 Thursday	SR-60 eastbound at Moreno Beach Dr.	#2 lane closed	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Bridge repair
June 26 Thursday	SR-91 from McKinley to 14 th St.	Moving closure	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Sweep ramps
June 27 Friday	SR-91 from Tyler to 14 th St.	Moving closure by right shoulder	8:00 am to 3:00 pm Sweeping

“Cone Zone” tip for the week:

Hot Weather Driving Tips

How you and your car can survive the heat

Summer is here and this can be the most heavily traveled time of the year. It can also put a strain on your vehicle. But, you can reduce the risk of breakdown and ensure a safe, comfortable trip by following a few simple precautions.





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Before Hitting the Road

Before you head out on the road on a hot day, be sure you check out the basics for any drive, including:

- Oil
- Transmission fluid
- Windshield washer
- Battery strength
- Tire pressure (including the spare)
- Cooling system
- Belts and hoses
- Well equipped emergency kit and tool box

While on the Road

When driving in hot weather, it's particularly important to keep an eye on the lights and gauges on your dashboard. If your temperature gauge moves up, turn off your air conditioner and turn on your vehicle's heater to its highest and hottest setting. It will, no doubt, make you uncomfortable, but it will help draw some of the heat away from the engine.

If you are stopped in traffic, put the car in "park" and lightly step on the gas to help circulate coolant.

If the temperature light goes on or if the gauge enters the red zone, immediately pull off the road to a safe spot, well away from traffic. Do not drive any further — not even to the next exit. Driving with an overheated engine can cause tremendous damage to the engine.

Off the Side of the Road

Once safely off the road, turn off the car, put on your emergency flashers and carefully exit the car, preferably from the side away from traffic. If necessary, put out a reflector triangle or flare to alert passing vehicles of your presence.

Now you can begin to slowly cool the engine down. Do not attempt to remove the radiator cap itself. The pressurized coolant is extremely hot and will spray out with great force. Similarly, do not touch any parts of the engine while they are still hot. Do not pour water over the radiator or engine, since the dramatic change in temperature could cause damage.

Start by opening the hood and checking the radiator's plastic reservoir to see if there is enough coolant. After the engine cools a bit, add a 50-50 mix of coolant and water to the reservoir to bring it up to its proper level. You may wish to contact the local highway patrol, police or auto club for service. Tying a cloth to the radio antenna or traffic-side door handle is a signal of a disabled car.

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When Stopped

Even when not stranded due to a breakdown, summer heat can pose dangers. [Never leave a child or pet in a parked car in summer heat.](#) Even an outside temperature in the 80's can quickly bring a car's interior to well over 140°.

Try to park in shaded areas, use a sun shield over the windshield and cover the metal parts of seat restraints to keep them from becoming too hot.

And...

- Bring along a container of water
- Stop periodically to refresh yourself
- Take along moist towelettes
- Have a cell phone for emergency calls

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