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INTERSTATE 10 AT TEX WASH BRIDGE UPDATE

RIVERSIDE – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) continues work on Interstate 10 (I-10) at Tex Wash Bridge, near Desert Center. Demolition of the collapsed eastbound bridge was completed on Friday, July 31, 2015 at 10:00 a.m. Demolition included the removal of three spans—beginning with the collapsed section. Following the approval of a conceptual design, re-building of the eastbound bridge is anticipated to begin within a week.

The westbound bridge is open and being used by traffic for both directions of travel. Traffic delays have been minimal. The speed limit has been reduced to 45 miles per hour within the construction zone.

To date, project cost is estimated at \$5 million. Cost includes the strengthening and temporary traffic configuration of the westbound bridge, as well as the demolition of the eastbound bridge. The completion goal of the new bridge remains late September 2015. The goal will be accomplished, in part, with the use of precast materials and an accelerated work schedule.

Caltrans thanks the motoring public for their patience during the unexpected roadwork and asks for continued support during the re-construction of the eastbound bridge span. Please be aware of the work and [SLOW FOR THE CONE ZONE!](#)

Those with scheduled permit loads should contact Caltrans Transportation Permit Office at (916) 322-1297 or their permit service company, as the temporary route configuration may affect load transportation.

For background information on the I-10 Tex wash bridge visit www.caltrans8.info and review commuter alert 15-132d. For information on other projects follow Caltrans District 8 on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/Caltrans8>. View traffic conditions at <http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov>.

