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STATE ROUTE 138 ROCK REMOVAL

San Bernardino County – A safety improvement project continues on State Route 138 (SR-138) from west of Interstate 15 (I-15) to the Los Angeles County Line. In order to realign SR-138 just west of I-15 at Mormon Rocks, some minor detonations will be necessary to remove a portion of the rock. The blasting will take place between noon and 2:00 p.m. on Monday, October 9. Full closure of SR-138 at this location will take place during the blast. The route will reopen when the blasting contractor determines that the work was successful and the roadway is safe for travel.

Residents are advised that the blast will be minor and noise will be minimal. No vibrations should be felt as a result of the blast. Motorists will not be permitted passage on SR-138 during the blasting operation. Detours are available as follows:

SR-138 westbound: Take I-15 north to US-395 north, continue to SR-18 west and travel back to SR-138.

SR-138 eastbound: Take SR-18 east to US 395 south and travel back to I-15 south.

In lieu of the blasting, construction will continue on SR-138 Monday through Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and on Fridays until 1:00 p.m. Flagging, or reversible-traffic control, will take place intermittently during work hours from Mormon Rock west on SR-138 to the Los Angeles county line from fall 2006 to spring 2007. The contractor will not close lanes during inclement weather or snow.

Motorists are advised that minimal delays of approximately 15 minutes will be experienced during the flagging. Please add a little extra time to your commute. For updates on Riverside and San Bernardino county state highway work, please go to our website at www.caltrans8.info and click on "Press Releases" or call (866) 383-4631 for information.

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