



CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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Date: Thursday, October 25, 2007 (1245)**District:** 8 – San Bernardino & Riverside**Contact:** Rose Melgoza**Phone:** (909) 383-6477

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WHAT: CALTRANS EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER CLOSURES**WHEN: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2007 (1245)****WHERE: RIVERSIDE & SAN BERNARDINO COUNTIES**

Caltrans closed their Emergency Operations Center (EOC) that serves Riverside and San Bernardino Counties today at noon. The Caltrans EOC phone line will be shut down. However, the public can still call the district office listed below. Caltrans will focus their energy on road repairs.

A damage assessment team of engineers has started the inspections to evaluate the extent of the road repairs to the state highways. Some damage to the guardrail, signs, fallen debris and power lines on the roadbed is evident mostly in the mountain regions. In addition, Caltrans will coordinate repair work with public utility companies to expedite the work so the roads can be opened as soon as possible. We ask for the public's patience.

Several routes continue to remain closed as the US Forest Service and San Bernardino Fire Authority continue to contain the fires. Caltrans is supporting their efforts by maintaining access for emergency vehicles. Motorists can check the following sources to determine if the roads are open. Changes to road conditions will be updated when new information is available. Visit www.caltrans8.info and link into the "News and Document Center" for updates.

Listed below are other sources of road information for southern California.

Caltrans Public Information Office- Riv/SBdo	(866) 383-4631	8a.m. – 5 p.m.
Orange County Transportation Helpline	1-800-724-0353	
Caltrans Public Information Office -San Diego	(619) 688-6699	8a.m. – 5 p.m.
Information by cell phone for San Diego county	511	
Caltrans Public Information Office – Los Angeles	(213) 897-3656	8a.m. – 5 p.m.
Caltrans Highway Information Network – statewide	1-800-427-ROAD	
U.S. Forest Service www.inciweb.org	(909) 383-5688	
San Bernardino County Sheriffs	(909) 387-3700	
United Way general information	211	

Current Closures

Route	Beginning Post Mile	Ending Post Mile	General Location	Closure Direction
18	8.046	44.327	40th St to Big Bear Dam	Both
138	24	37.9	Lk Arrowhead Rd to Jct 18	Both
173	5.8	23.1	Crestline to Arrowhead	Both
189	0	5.6	Crestline to Blue Jay	Both
330	R29.605	43.89	Highland to Running Springs	Both