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## STATE ROUTE 138 OPENS

**San Bernardino County** – Caltrans announces that the section of State Route (SR-138) from State Route 2 (SR-2) to Beekley Rd. opened on Saturday, September 16. SR-138 was closed for construction from SR-2 west to Beekley Rd. on June 19, 2006 and was expected to reopen on September 19, 2006.

Caltrans would like to thank the contractor, Yeager-Skanska, Inc., for their efforts to expedite the work and reopen the road ahead of schedule. They also worked very closely with Caltrans and the local communities to make the closure manageable.

Construction with flagging will continue at the intersection of SR-138 and SR-2 until the beginning of October 2006, Monday through Saturday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. This preliminary work is to prepare the interchange for a future signal to be installed by spring 2008. After the intersection work is finished, SR-138 will continue to be subject to flagging Monday through Friday from 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the project limits from just east of I-15 to the Los Angeles County line. The \$44 million safety improvement project began in April 2006 and the improvements are listed below:

- ☞☞ Construct west and eastbound truck climbing lanes
- ☞☞ Rehabilitate pavement
- ☞☞ Widen shoulders to 8 feet
- ☞☞ Realign curve west of Lone Pine Canyon

An additional three-month full closure of SR-138 will take place in summer 2007 from SR-2 east to Hess Rd. The dates of the closure will be released when determined. Motorists may sign up for updates on this project by emailing [terri\\_kasinga@dot.ca.gov](mailto:terri_kasinga@dot.ca.gov). For updates on Riverside and San Bernardino county state highway work, please go to our website at [www.caltrans8.info](http://www.caltrans8.info) and click on "Press Releases" or call (866) 383-4631 for information.

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