



NEWS RELEASE

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TREE REMOVAL ON WESTBOUND HIGHWAY 68 IN MONTEREY--MONDAY

MONTEREY– A three-day, two-mile tree removal maintenance project on **westbound** Highway 68 between the junction of Hwy. 1/68 intersection and Presidio Blvd. in Monterey is taking place next Monday, May 23 through Wednesday, May 25, Caltrans officials announced today.

Details are as follows:

Monday, May 23:

- Closure of Highway 1, #2 (right) lane at the **southbound** Hwy. 1/68 intersection;

Tuesday, May 24:

- Closure of the #2 (right) lane of **westbound** Hwy. 68 at the CHOMP (hospital);
- Closure of the #2 (right) lane of **westbound** Hwy. 68 at Skyline Forest Dr.;

Wednesday, May 25:

- Closure of the #2 (right) lane of **eastbound** Hwy. 68 at Presidio Blvd.

Roadwork consists of closing the #2 (right) lane from 9 am to 2 pm at each location. Motorists can expect delays of 10-15 minutes.

The purpose of this maintenance work is to improve traveler safety by removing some dead pine trees. Roadwork is being done by the Caltrans Monterey Maintenance Crew.

Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway work zones.

For more information on this project and for traffic updates on other Caltrans projects in Monterey County, residents can call the District 5 toll free number at 1-831-372-0862 or can visit our website at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/paffairs/release.htm#mon>

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