



NEWS RELEASE

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District: 05—Santa Barbara, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, San Benito and Santa Cruz Counties

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



UPDATE 75

ELEPHANT TRUNK PROJECT COMPLETES WITH PLANT ESTABLISHMENT FOR A YEAR ON HIGHWAY 1 NEAR THE SAN LUIS OBISPO/MONTEREY COUNTY LINE

SAN LUIS OBISPO/MONTEREY COUNTIES – A project to construct a retaining wall on Highway 1 in northern San Luis Obispo/southern Monterey County (SLO PM 73.7-PM 74) is underway. It will serve as a permanent restoration effort in this area known for major slides.

All contract work will be done this week and then we will be maintaining the plants that we planted for a year.

The contractor for this \$9.5 million project is John Madonna Construction of San Luis Obispo, CA. This project is expected to be completed in winter 2016-17.



Picture shows the road re-open without the traffic signal on State Route 1 at Elephant Trunk.

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UPDATE #62

HIGHWAY 1/COW CLIFFS VIADUCT PROJECT SCHEDULED TO COMPLETE BY NEXT WEEK

MONTEREY COUNTY – A mostly daytime ½-mile project to construct a viaduct continues along Hwy. 1 near Lucia from the Big Creek Bridge to south of Dolan Creek Bridge (PM 31), near Big Creek Bridge (PM 28), about 18 miles south of Big Sur.

Roadwork for next week is removing the temporary traffic signal and striping; project should complete by the end of next week.

The project consists of constructing a permanent viaduct, about five miles north of Lucia and 18 miles south of Big Sur. Daily roadwork schedules are subject to change due to weather conditions and other factors so stay tuned for weekly updates. **ALL BUSINESSES ALONG THE BIG SUR COAST WILL REMAIN OPEN.**

The contractor for this \$3.9 million project is RGW Construction Inc. of Livermore, CA. Completion is scheduled for fall of 2016, weather permitting



Pictures from left to right show: 1) Paving top cap northbound, looking north, and 2) Paving completed looking south on State Route 1 at Cow Cliffs.

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

For traffic updates on other state highways in Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or can visit the District 5 website at: http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road_information.htm. Motorists can also contact the toll-free hotline from Cambria to Carmel at: 888-836-0866.

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