



NEWS RELEASE

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UPDATE #2

HIGHWAY 17 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NEAR SCOTTS VALLEY CONTINUES WITH OVERNIGHT LANE CLOSURES/TRAFFIC SWITCH

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY - A major construction project along a one-mile section of Highway 17 between Sugarloaf Road and Laurel Road near Scotts Valley will continue next week with overnight lane and median crossover closures in both directions as follows for the duration of the project:

- **Hwy. 17 Northbound lanes:** Sunday night from 10 pm to 5 am and Monday through Thursday from 8 pm to 5 am.
- **Hwy. 17 Southbound lanes:** Sunday through Thursday from 9 pm to 5 am.
- **Hwy. 17 NB/SB Median Crossover:** Sunday night from 10 pm to 5 am and Monday through Thursday from 9 pm to 5 am. **Motorists can expect a delays of 15-20 minutes.**

The project includes widening the shoulders, installing a concrete median barrier, resurfacing the highway, constructing a soil nail wall and viaducts.

The California Highway Patrol (CHP) will assist with traffic control and electronic message boards will be activated to advise travelers about this upcoming roadwork.

The contractor for this \$5.1 million project is Granite Construction of Santa Clara. It is scheduled to be complete next spring, weather permitting.

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

For lane closure information on this project and for traffic updates on other Caltrans projects in Santa Cruz County, residents can call the District 5 toll free number at 1-831-423-0396 or visit our website at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/paffairs/release.htm#scr>.

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