CONSTRUCTION & ROAD CLOSURE ALERT

NEXT STAGES OF WORK ON STATE ROUTE 180 BEGIN THIS MONTH

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FRESNO, CALIF. – The work on State Route 180 (SR 180), as part of the Fresno Trench project near downtown Fresno is moving into Stage 1. This stage is the beginning of approximately 5-months of work that will require eastbound and westbound lane shifts and the construction of temporary bridges. The 40-foot deep trench currently under construction will span approximately two-miles and will allow high-speed trains to pass under SR 180 and other existing structures.

Construction work of the Fresno Trench will be conducted in five stages and will impact SR 180 traffic between G and H streets.

Stage 1: Work will require lane shifts on SR 180 westbound taking one lane onto the eastbound side to make way for excavation activities. This shift will last for a period of approximately five months. Drivers are requested to follow lane closure signage and may experience slight delays.

Stage 2: In Spring 2017, a temporary bridge will be constructed. That will allow westbound traffic to be shifted back onto the westbound lanes. During this time, construction crews will continue work on the foundation of the Fresno Trench beneath SR 180.

(Click Images Above to See Video Detailing Traffic Stages)

In February 2016, construction crews began work at the Fresno Trench near Thorne and H streets with the excavation of dirt needed to construct the foundations. When completed, the trench will start between Olive and Belmont Avenues and run approximately two miles to Stanislaus Street in Fresno. Constructing the rail line underground eliminates the need for high-speed trains to cross roads and highways, providing a much safer mode of travel. In total, the California High-Speed Rail program will eliminate 20 at-grade crossings between Madera and Fresno.

There are currently nine active construction sites within Construction Package 1 (CP 1) – the first 32-mile stretch of high-speed rail between Avenue 19 in Madera County to East American Avenue in Fresno County.

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