



# NEWS RELEASE

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### MEDIAN BARRIER PROJECT BEGINS ON I-5

**REDDING** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) District 2 has started work on a median barrier safety project on Interstate 5 in Shasta County. Cable median barrier will be installed in two locations, enhancing safety and reducing cross over crashes.

The cable type barrier is being installed in the median from the Deschutes Road overcrossing to one mile south of Knighton Road and from the Bechelli Lane/Bonneyview Road overcrossing to Hilltop Drive. The barrier installation is in response to a history of cross over accidents occurring in these areas and the width to traffic volume ratios on I-5.

The \$2.3 million project is being constructed by Steve Manning Construction, Inc. of Redding. During construction the northbound onramp from State Route 299 (Lake Blvd.) to I-5 will be closed at night between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. A detour will be clearly marked. Closures of the fast lane will also be required during construction. Night time lane closures will last approximately three weeks and the entire project will be completed in September of 2009.

Motorists are reminded to drive with caution in and near the construction area and to slow for the cone zone.

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