

Commuter Alert



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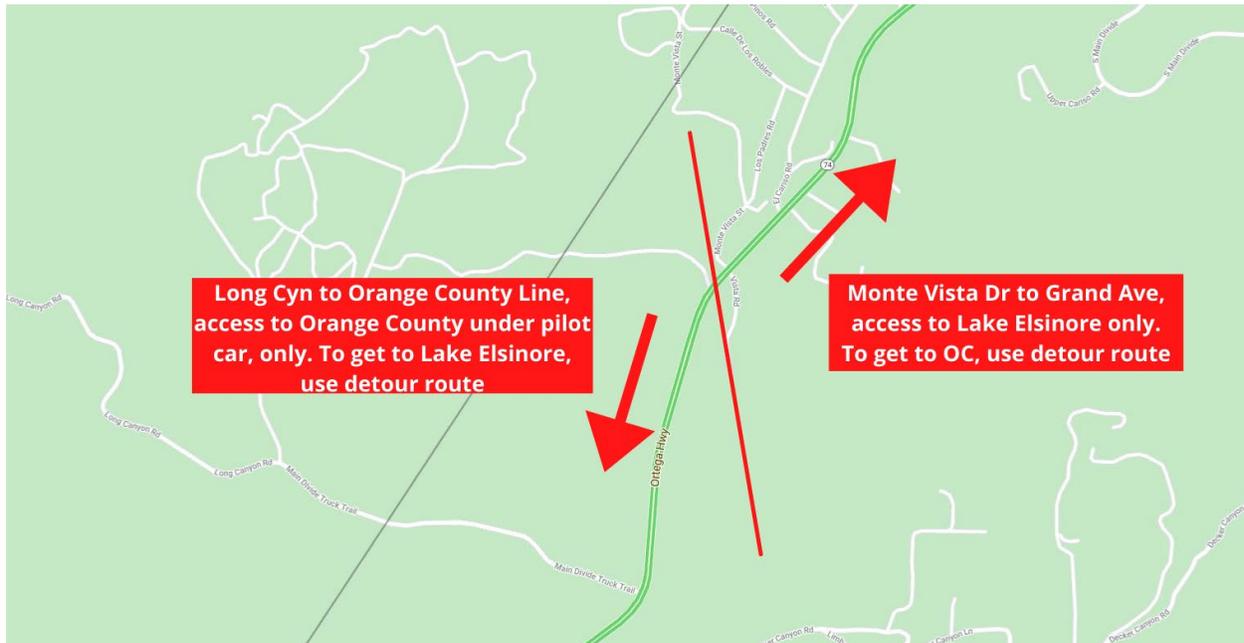
State Route 74 Lane Widening Near Lake Elsinore *Weekend Closure July 16-July 19*

RIVERSIDE, CA – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) continues work on State Route 74 (SR-74) in Riverside County from the Riverside and Orange County border to Monte Vista Street just west of Lake Elsinore. Weather permitting.

A full 55-hour weekend closure will begin this Friday, July 16 at 10:00 p.m. and continues to Monday, July 19 at 5:00 a.m. The main closure will take place at **Monte Vista Street**.

- Residents on Monte Vista St. and east of Monte Vista St. will be directed to Lake Elsinore and will need to utilize the I-15 to SR-91 to gain access to OC.
- Residents west of Monte Vista St. will be directed to Orange County and will need to utilize the I-5 to SR-55 to SR-91 to the I-15 to gain access to Lake Elsinore.
- A designated pilot car **FOR RESIDENTS ONLY** will be on site to escort residents to their homes and out of the construction zone. Be advised: Extreme wait times up to and possibly exceeding two hours are expected. The only access for residents on the west side of Monte Vista will be from the Orange County side.
- There will be signs placed at each end of the project stating the road is closed to through traffic. **NO ACCESS FROM OC TO LAKE ELSINORE AND VICE/VERSA. No through traffic.**
- Please obey all posted signs and traffic instructions, including the pilot escort car, as CHP will be on location and citing any offenders
- **See map on next page for alternate routes.**

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Weekend 55-hour closures will take place every other weekend, July 16 - 19, July 30 - August 2, August 13 - 16 and August 27 - 30. All schedules are subject to change.

Be advised that the availability of alternate routes within this area of SR 74 may change – meaning, the construction zone will change nightly resulting in, some areas not having access to Orange County or Lake Elsinore, and vice versa. Please plan ahead. A new commuter alert will be issued with locations of full closure as soon as the location of work is determined.

Additional future full 55-hour weekend closures and nightly full closures for the duration of the project are anticipated to occur. A future schedule is forthcoming.

For up to date information and to sign up for commuter alerts, please go to the website: [SR-74 Ortega Widening Project](#).

Use caution and expect delays during construction hours. Law enforcement will be on scene to assist with traffic control. Remember to reduce your speed in and surrounding the work zone. Be advised, weather may affect construction schedule.

Know before you go! To stay on top of roadwork in the Inland Empire go to [Caltrans District 8](#) and sign up for commuter alerts. Follow us for the latest information on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#). To assist in planning your commute, view live traffic conditions using [QuickMap](#) and [planned lane closures](#).

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