



I-5/Camino Capistrano Project

Fast Facts



I-5/Camino Capistrano Interchange Improvement Project

In an effort to enhance traffic flow in San Juan Capistrano, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), in cooperation with the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), is working to improve the southbound ramp interchange on the San Diego Freeway (I-5) at Camino Capistrano.

Currently, vehicles at this interchange back up onto the freeway, causing excessive congestion. This project

The project is one of the selected interchanges for OCTA's Chokepoint Improvement Program.

will widen the off-ramp and Camino Capistrano at the ramp intersection.

Project Details

The project includes:

- Construction of a sound wall/retaining wall on southbound I-5 between the southbound SR-74 on-ramp and San Juan Creek Bridge
- Construction of a retaining wall between San Juan Creek Road bridge and San Juan Creek bridge
- Adding an auxiliary exit lane on southbound I-5 at Camino Capistrano southbound off-ramp

- Widening of San Juan Creek bridge
- Widening of Camino Capistrano on- and off-ramps
- Widening of San Juan Creek bridge
- Widening of Camino Capistrano from San Juan Creek Road for 2,200 feet to the south

The technical studies focused on the following issues: community impacts, traffic and transportation, visual/aesthetic, cultural resources, water and air quality, traffic noise and biological resources.

Caltrans, with support from OCTA and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) proposed the Camino Capistrano Project. The \$13.2 million project is part of OCTA's and Caltrans' chokepoint improvement program, which identifies sections of freeways that have traffic bottlenecks for short distances due to heavy traffic weaving or merging.

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Timeline

Construction began	July 2010
Construction scheduled for completion and open to motorists	Early 2013
Landscaping scheduled for completion	Early 2014

Funding Source

The project timeline is based on the current availability of funding and approval by the California Transportation Commission (CTC). The project is proposed to be funded from the State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).