

About the Project

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in coordination with Metrolink, is replacing the railroad bridge over San Juan Creek in the City of San Juan Capistrano to enhance safety and reduce maintenance needs. Once the new bridge is completed and train service is switched over, the existing bridge will be demolished. Construction is expected to be completed in early 2027.

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San Juan Creek Trail Closed Beginning July 14

The San Juan Creek Trail is expected to close as soon as Monday, July 14 for up to two weeks to allow crews to mobilize materials needed for the bikeway underpass construction.

Weekday closures are from 6 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and will reopen at the end of each work day. Trail users will be detoured to Camino Capistrano, Del Obispo Street and the Trabuco Creek Trail.



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Construction Activities

Nighttime Utility Work

Nighttime utility work is ongoing weekdays from 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. and will continue through late July. The adjacent communities may experience noise and lighting from the operation. Train horns may also sound because the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) guidelines require that all trains sound their horns when workers are present on or around railroad track. This federal mandate applies to construction zones.

Railroad Bridge Superstructure

Crews have completed the installation of steel girders for the new railroad bridge. The next major work will be placing the deck. The bridge deck, like steel girders, is part of the railroad bridges' superstructure and will support the tracks and trains. Check out progress photos below.

This work may be loud. This schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather or unforeseen operational issues.







Crews installing the steel superstructure for the new railroad bridge.

Project Resources



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