In keeping with the 91 Express Lanes’ efforts to bring the latest innovations to the toll facility, the Electronic Toll and Traffic Management system (ETTM), has been upgraded. The ETTM system is the heart of the facility, operating 24 hours a day, seven days a week, 365 days a year without interruption. The system upgrade included new hardware, software and services to ensure reliable operation for the years ahead. Cameras that record vehicles traveling on the 91 Express Lanes were upgraded and the Vehicle Detection System units were replaced, along with all related cabling. The Automatic Vehicle Identification equipment received new transceivers, and all of the antennas were replaced.

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It’s easy to refer a friend—and we’ll even pay you for the privilege
When you see how much time and stress you save by cruising on the 91 Express Lanes, you’re going to want to tell all your friends. There are so many reasons to sign up, and potential members can explore them all at www.91ExpressLanes.com. Every time you refer a friend, we’ll credit your account $25 in free tolls. Since the 91 Express Lanes are so terrific, we know you’ll want to tell everyone you know—and there’s no limit to how many referral credits you can earn, so each friend who signs up earns you $25.

100 Million Trip Milestone Reached

Do you have a story about what you’ve done with the time saved by using the 91 Express Lanes? Tell us about it by sending your time-saving story to at www.octa.net/91expresslanes.

Since OCTA took ownership of the 91 Express Lanes in 2003, travel on the toll facility recently reached 100 million trips. That’s an average of 12.5 million trips each year during the eight years that OCTA has had ownership of the toll facility.

Those 100 million trips also represent a lot of time saved. Customers have reported saving 30 minutes off their trip by using the 91 Express Lanes. That’s extra time you can spend with family, enjoying your hobbies or just relaxing instead of being stuck in traffic.
Effective April 1, 2011
SR-55 to Riverside Co. Line
Riverside Co. Line to SR-55

For the latest toll adjustments.
Please check the toll schedules at right when you travel on the 91 Express Lanes.

Toll Decrease
Effective April 1, 2011

To help manage congestion and optimize the number of vehicles traveling on the 91 Express Lanes, toll decreases are being made for the eastbound direction. Starting April 1, 2011, tolls will take effect for the hours marked in blue on the toll schedules at right.

These toll decreases are the result of OCTA’s Congestion Management Pricing at work. It’s our way of delivering a fast, safe and reliable commute to you when you travel on the 91 Express Lanes.

Please check the toll schedules at right for the latest toll adjustments.

20 Years of Measure M

It’s been 20 years since Measure M, the half-cent sales tax for transportation improvements, was approved by Orange County voters in 1990. As part of improving Orange County's transportation, Measure M set out to improve our freeways by removing bottlenecks, adding lanes and improving interchanges to increase traffic flow.

Measure M Improved the SR-91 Corridor
The SR-91 corridor benefited from projects funded by Measure M. Several widening projects along the SR-91 and the completion of High-Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes on the SR-91 between the Orange (SR-57) and the Costa Mesa (SR-55) freeways helped relieve traffic congestion along the corridor. Measure M also provided funding for Metrolink train service from Riverside and San Bernardino counties to Orange County, which helped improve mobility on the SR-91 corridor as well.

Recent Improvements
OCTA, in cooperation with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC), added an eastbound lane to the SR-91 between the SR-241 and the SR-71 to reduce traffic congestion. The project began in November 2009 and was completed in December 2010.

What's Ahead
Several improvement projects are coming for the SR-91 under Measure M. M2 is a 30-year extension of Measure M approved by Orange County voters in 2006 to continue bringing improvements to the county’s freeways, streets and roads and transit system. Relieving congestion on the SR-91 is the centerpiece of M2.

One of the first freeway improvement projects under M2 will add capacity to the SR-91 in the westbound direction between the I-5 and the SR-57. This project will add up to two lanes, including a potential auxiliary lane, and improve on- and off-ramps along this key stretch of the SR-91 freeway. The project is in the design and right-of-way phase, with construction planned to start in December 2012.

A second SR-91 project will add freeway capacity on the SR-91 between the SR-57 and the SR-55. Additionally, the plan calls for improvements to major interchanges, including the SR-91/SR-57 and SR-91/SR-55 interchanges.

A third project will add capacity to the SR-91, beginning at the SR-55 and continuing to the I-15 in Riverside County. OCTA is working with the Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) on the portion of this project that extends new lanes into Riverside County. The project calls for adding new lanes, making operational improvements, improving traffic management strategies and maximizing use of freeway infrastructure.