



Caltrans Traffic Advisory

THE EMPIRE PROJECT

April 2014

Segment of San Fernando Blvd. Under I-5 to CLOSE Permanently in Mid-May

What: A half-mile segment of San Fernando Boulevard in Burbank **will close permanently in mid-May**. The closed portion is the segment that crosses under I-5 between the Lincoln Street off-ramp on the east side of the freeway and the Lincoln Street/Victory Place intersection on the west. Check the I-5 website (I-5info.com) at the end of April for the exact closure date, or call us on the I-5 Info Line at (855) 454-6335.

So, this is PERMANENT? Yes. San Fernando Boulevard will be realigned so that it connects directly to Empire Avenue. There will be a NEW undercrossing at Empire Avenue that will open in mid-2017, creating a new east-west link.

Why: The closure is part of the Empire Project, which includes elevating the railroad tracks adjacent to I-5. Closing San Fernando Boulevard is necessary to construct temporary railroad tracks that will allow trains to keep operating during construction.

Affected Ramps: The northbound I-5 Lincoln Street off-ramp and southbound San Fernando Boulevard on-ramp will be closed permanently. The southbound Scott Road/Burbank Boulevard off-ramp will be closed and will be integrated into the new Empire Avenue interchange.

Detour: A detour will be posted to route motorists around the closure.

Congestion Mitigation: Caltrans is working with the City of Burbank to implement traffic circulation improvements on local streets — such as corridor timing and new signals — before San Fernando Boulevard is closed. Buena Vista Street will also be reconfigured to accommodate additional traffic.

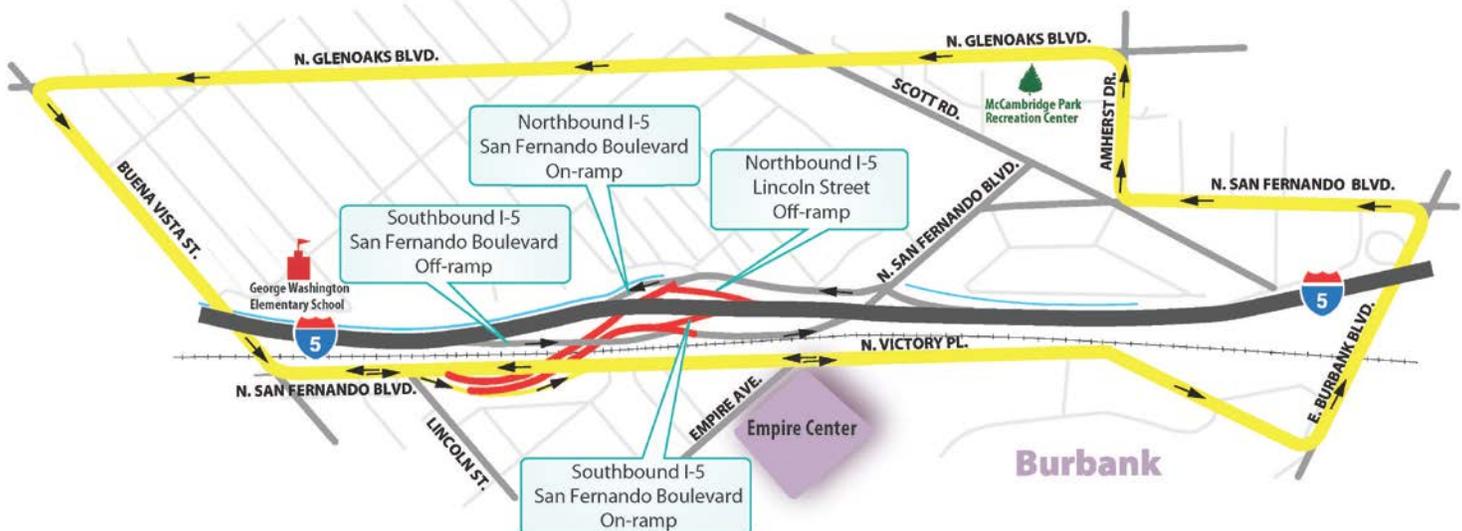
About the Project

The Empire Project is a series of improvements to I-5 in Burbank between Magnolia Boulevard and Buena Vista Street, including: carpool lanes, elevated railroad tracks, reconfigured ramps, a new interchange at Empire Avenue, reconstruction and widening of the Burbank Boulevard Bridge, and more. Information about the project is at I-5info.com.

Questions?

Visit the I-5 website for more information. You can also call and email us using the contacts below:

- **Website:** I-5info.com
- **Toll-Free I-5 Info Line:** (855) 454-6335, option 2
- **Email:** Click on 'Contact Us' at the website above.



Legend

- San Fernando Boulevard permanent closure
- Detour

Closure dates are subject to change. Sign up to receive automatic project updates by email at I-5info.com.

