

Caltrans clearing snow, ready to resume Echo Summit work

Caltrans is preparing to go back to work on Highway 50 at Echo Summit after approximately 9 inches of snow fell. Work was halted early Sunday.



Crews are on-site clearing off equipment and getting ready to resume work. According to officials, concrete can be placed in cold weather with no effect on strength if certain precautions are taken. The poured concrete at Echo Summit was covered with insulated blankets, making temperature a non-factor.

The route leading to the South Shore from Sacramento-Bay Area was closed May 11 to replace the rock guard wall that is more dust than stone in some places.

The road is expected to be closed for 10-14 days before opening to controlled traffic for another six weeks.

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