

Weather not changing Caltrans' Echo Summit closure plans

Snow on Monday caused about a five-hour delay in Caltrans being able to start work on Echo Summit.

The one-way controls started about 9:30am on Highway 50 on the main stretch of asphalt that links the South Shore with the Bay Area and Sacramento.

Deanna Shoopman, spokeswoman with Caltrans, told *Lake Tahoe News* on May 9 the contractor is set to close the summit completely for at least 10 straight days beginning May 11. Though the start time is not set in stone, it will be in the morning.



A closure sign on Highway 89 near the Y in South Tahoe. Photo/Kathryn Reed

The summit is being closed to replace the deteriorating rock wall.

Motorists are being rerouted via Highway 88, by Kirkwood and Jackson.

More information about the project can be found online.

– *Kathryn Reed*