Caltrans ready to work in Placer, Nevada counties

Caltrans has a slew of projects planned for this construction season in Placer and Nevada counties.

Projects range from highway maintenance to multi-million dollar improvements. They include:

- Interstate 80 (CHP Inspection Station) A \$585,000 project to rehabilitate the Donner CHP Truck Inspection Facility in Truckee just north of Interstate 80, including new roofing and siding, as well as repair a water system. Completion is expected in 2017.
- Highway 89 (Wildlife Crossing) A \$2.2 million project to construct a paired (two tunnels) wildlife crossing under Highway 89 eight miles north of Truckee as well as erect wildlife barrier fencing to reduce the incidence of wildlife/vehicle collisions on this section of highway through the Tahoe National Forest. Highway 89 Stewardship Team members will also conduct a three-year evaluation of project outcomes. Completion is expected in December 2016.
- Highway 89 (Pedestrian Tunnel) A \$14 million project constructing a pedestrian tunnel next to the vehicle tunnel (nicknamed the "Mousehole") on Highway 89 just east of Truckee will continue work to complete the tunnel, build sidewalks and install landscaping to afford pedestrians safe access along Highway 89 under the Union Pacific railroad. Completion is expected in 2016.

Other work that will intermittently impact highway traffic this season includes replacement of guardrail and damaged fences, culvert rehabilitation and ongoing maintenance activities.

Up-to-date traffic information is available online.