

Major roadwork on Hwy. 50 west of Echo Summit

Construction and maintenance work will cause traffic delays along a 45-mile stretch of Highway 50 between Camino and Echo Summit for the next three months.

Crews will be setting up lane restrictions on the four-lane section of Highway 50 in the Camino area and one-way traffic control on the two-lane stretch of highway over the summit. Motorists can expect up to 20 minute delays. These lane restrictions will continue through the end of November, weather permitting.

Caltrans will be removing hundreds of dead trees along the highway, paving a section of roadway over the summit and doing foundation drilling on Echo Summit.

Here is the schedule:

- There will be one-way traffic control starting at 9pm Aug. 21, and continuing through 9am Aug. 26 at the Echo Summit Bridge. Crews will be drilling into the foundation to gather information for plans to replace the bridge. Work will take a break for another construction project and resume in late September. Completion is expected on Oct. 15.

- Around the clock one-way traffic control between Strawberry and Johnson Pass Road around Echo Summit is scheduled to start at midnight Aug. 29 and continue through mid-October. Crews will be doing pavement grinding and paving work.

- From Sept. 6 through the end of November, motorists can expect lane restrictions and one-way traffic control to occur at various times and locations between Braeburn Lane in Camino and Echo Summit. Crews will be removing hundreds of

dead or dying trees impacted by the drought and the bark beetle infestation to ensure public health and safety.