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Route 1/17 Merge Lanes

ROUTE 1/17 MERGE LANES PROJECT STATUS UPDATE

- The Branciforte Overcrossing Bridge was closed January 2nd. The entire structure has been demolished; both North and South abutment footings and the three new median support columns have been formed and poured. Falsework is being placed so construction of the bridge deck can begin. The new Branciforte Overcrossing Bridge will be 200' long, 58' wide, and provide 19' clearance underneath. Branciforte Ave on the new bridge will have two lanes, wide shoulders, and sidewalks as previously existed.
- The next two significant traffic switches on the project will push the southbound and northbound traffic toward the outside shoulders of Highway 1 between Market Street and the Fish Hook. This will allow for the demolition and replacement of the Emeline Undercrossing. The southbound shift is scheduled for 2/26. This shift should also help reduce the flooding problem in the median which has occurred after heavy rains.
- Construction of soundwalls continues near Morrissey. Soundwalls for the entire project should be completed by mid March.
- Work on the northbound Route 1/ Route 17 connector continues. Traffic has been temporarily shifted and concrete barrier rail placed. In mid March the northbound Pasatiempo off-ramp will be closed for approximately two months so work between the connector and off-ramp can be done.
- Fall 2008 remains the construction complete target.

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