



# NEWS RELEASE

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## **HIGHWAY 1/COW CLIFFS VIADUCT PROJECT CONTINUES—FIRST OVERNIGHT FULL CLOSURE NEXT THURSDAY NIGHT, JANUARY 28**

MONTEREY COUNTY – A primarily daytime ½-mile project to construct a viaduct continues along Hwy. 1 near Lucia from the Big Creek Bridge to south of Dolan Creek Bridge, 18 miles south of Big Sur.

**Cow Cliffs will have its first overnight full closure on Thursday, Jan. 28 from 10 pm until 6 am (Friday morning) to place girders on the viaduct. Electronic message boards will be activated to inform motorists of this hard closure. The CHP will assist with traffic control. Motorists are advised to reach their destination by 10 pm on Thursday, Jan. 28.**

There will be daytime roadwork next week including the backfilling of the abutment walls at Cow Cliffs. There will be 10-minute traffic holds as needed. Hwy. 1 at Cow Cliffs will continue with one-way signalized traffic control 24/7.

The project consists of constructing a permanent viaduct, about five miles north of Lucia and 18 miles south of Big Sur. Daily roadwork schedules are subject to change due to weather conditions and other factors so stay tuned for weekly updates. **ALL BUSINESSES ALONG THE BIG SUR COAST WILL REMAIN OPEN.**

In order to minimize traffic impact as part of the project, there will be advance notification for motorists, residents and businesses via a traffic hotline, electronic message signs and email updates.

The contractor for this \$3.9 million project is RGW Construction Inc. of Livermore, CA. Completion is scheduled for fall of 2016, weather permitting.

### **Caltrans reminds motorists to move over and slow down when driving through highway construction zones.**

For traffic updates on other state highways in Monterey and San Luis Obispo Counties, motorists can call Caltrans District 5 Public Affairs at 805-549-3318 or can visit the District 5 website at: [http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road\\_information.htm](http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist05/road_information.htm). Motorists can also contact the toll-free hotline from Cambria to Carmel at: 888-836-0866.

