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Delays Expected on Interstate 80 for Overnight Paving Work at Newcastle

NEWCASTLE – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is alerting motorists to anticipate traffic delays beginning **Monday, June 20** on Interstate 80 (I-80) between the Highway 193 interchange and Newcastle for overnight paving operations as part of the \$36 million vertical clearance project.

Motorists should anticipate delays, particularly during early morning commute hours, as construction crews close up to two freeway lanes, as well as the on and off ramps for the Highway 193 and Newcastle interchanges, from **9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday June 20 through 6 a.m. Friday June 24**. One freeway lane will remain open at all times and detours will be provided.

The work is the last paving operation in the two-year “Raise80” vertical clearance project that has increased the vertical clearance of nine freeway overcrossings on I-80 between Magra and Loomis in south Placer County.

Seven of the structures have had their bridge deck raised approximately two feet, and two of the structures will have the roadway lowered to achieve the necessary clearance. All structures now meet today’s 16 feet, 6 inches federal clearance standards for high-profile vehicles and national defense, eliminating the need for most high-profile vehicles to use local roads as detours.

Raise80.com is the central source for information about construction details, alternate routes, detours, maps and project updates. Updates regarding weather or other unexpected events that may prolong the work or cause construction activities to be rescheduled are also posted.

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