



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **91 Express Lanes, General Purpose Lanes Open in Corona!**

The Riverside County Transportation Commission's (RCTC) new 91 Express Lanes and general purpose lanes opened at 4 am for westbound motorists and 5:05 am for eastbound motorists, following a weekend of final construction activities to prepare for the much-anticipated opening.

During the weekend, crews reopened the westbound Maple Street off-ramp, reinstated two-way travel across the Maple Bridge, completed the widening of the Lincoln Avenue Bridge, repaved various sections of roadway, restriped the roadway to allow motorists to enter and exit the new lanes, installed the delineators to separate the 91 Express Lanes from general purpose lanes, made electrical connections, and completed testing of the tolling system.

RCTC will be monitoring and adjusting toll rates during the next few weeks of operation to achieve "free-flow" travel for lane users. Adjustments also will be made to the timing of traffic signals and ramp meters to assist with travel movement.

The 91 Express Lanes in Orange County and Riverside County will be jointly operated by RCTC and the Orange County Transportation Authority to provide customers with a seamless customer service experience. Combined, the Riverside County and Orange County 91 Express Lanes offer 18 miles of free-flowing travel. Entry and exit points include:

#### **Eastbound Travel**

- Enter at the 55/-91 Interchange or the County Line
- Exit at the County Line, at the 91 at McKinley Street or I-15 South at Ontario Avenue

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### **Westbound Travel**

- Enter at I-15 North at Ontario Avenue, the 91 at McKinley Street or the County Line
- Exit at the County Line or the 55/91 Interchange

Motorists should exercise caution near the entry and exit points, since the lane configurations have changed. Drivers should watch for lane markings and not cross over solid double white lines in these transition areas.

Toll lane pricing is posted at each entry point to the 91 Express Lanes. All toll lane users must have a FasTrak® transponder issued by any California toll agency. Two special promotions are being offered:

1. New account holders will receive a week of free tolls or two weeks of free tolls with a valid AAA membership.
2. Existing account holders will receive a \$25 account credit for referring a friend who opens a new account.

To open a 91 Express Lanes FasTrak® account, view toll rates and policies, receive information about carpool discounts for vehicles with three or more occupants, view a map of the facility or obtain more information, please visit [91expresslanes.com](http://91expresslanes.com), call the Customer Service Center at 800-600-9191 or visit the Customer Service Center at 2275 Sampson Avenue, Suite 100, in Corona.

Final construction activities will continue and periodic closures can be expected through the fall. Information will be available on the project website, [sr91project.info](http://sr91project.info), the project helpline, 877-770-9191, the project email [sr91project@rctc.org](mailto:sr91project@rctc.org), and social media.

RCTC's \$1.4 billion 91 Project extended the 91 Express Lanes eight miles to Interstate 15 in Riverside County, added general purpose lanes between the 71 and I-15, and provided a tolled express connector between the 91 and I-15. The project also built or widened 32 bridges, improved five interchanges, and realigned and repaved local streets.

Construction began in July 2014. The project used an innovative design-build method, which accelerated project delivery by three to four years. Typically, a project of this size and complexity would take approximately seven years to build.