



BAY AREA EXPRESS LANES



Construction Notice: I-680 Walnut Creek to San Ramon Express Lanes November 21, 2016

Summary

Toll system installation and testing on the I-680 Express Lanes is in full swing. Testing of the electronic toll signs is scheduled to begin Wednesday, November 23 and will last through the opening of the Express Lanes, scheduled for spring 2017. Through spring 2017, motorists can expect to see dots on the electronic signs throughout the corridor as they are electrified and testing occurs.

During the next testing phase, scheduled for both day and nights the week of December 5, 2016, motorists may observe messages displayed on the electronic signs reading “TEST”, followed by a number (e.g. “TEST 1”); “TESTING” followed by a number (e.g. “TESTING 1”); “\$0.00” and “TESTING IN PROGRESS”.

In addition, nightly closures will occur in the northbound and southbound directions on I-680 from Walnut Creek to Dublin in the lanes closest to the median. Approved construction work hours are: Monday through Thursday from 8 p.m. – 5 a.m., Friday from 8 p.m. – 7 a.m., Saturday from 7 p.m. to 10 a.m. During the nightly closures, system generated tolls, e.g. \$1.00, and “TESTING IN PROGRESS” will be displayed on the electronic signs. (See photo above.) **This type of message will only be visible at night, during lane closures.**

This will be the first of three toll system tests through March.

Other Ongoing Construction Updates

- Intermittent and alternating nightly closures will occur in the northbound and southbound directions on I-680 from Martinez to Dublin in the lanes closest to the median and in the lane closest to the shoulder. Approved construction work hours are: Monday through Thursday from 8 p.m. – 5 a.m., Friday from 8 p.m. – 7 a.m., Saturday from 7 p.m. to 10 a.m.
- Construction crews will be present on some city streets during the day near I-680 from Martinez to Dublin with temporary and minor pedestrian detours to maintain public safety.
- Temporary k-rail, construction signage and orange plastic fencing will be present from Martinez to Dublin to maintain a safe work zone.
- Construction is a dynamic process and information is subject to change without notice. Work is subject to weather conditions.



Mock-up of messages displayed on electronic signs for toll system testing during nighttime lane closures.



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