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24/7 TRAFFIC CONTROL TO BEGIN AT ROUTE 222 RUSSIAN RIVER BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Eureka – Caltrans announced today that temporary signals have been installed at the Russian River Bridge Replacement project on Route 222 (Talmage Road) in Mendocino County, and they will be activated on Wednesday, April 28. One-way traffic control will be in effect 24 hours per day, 7 days per week, through fall 2011. Work hours will be 7AM to 5PM, weekdays. Motorists should anticipate up to 15-minute delays during work hours and 5-minute delays at other times.

This \$5.4 million bridge replacement project was fully funded by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009. The bridge, built in 1954, is being replaced due to scour and the migration of the river channel. Scour results from water flows eroding the foundation or footings of a bridge. The new bridge will increase safety by providing two 12-foot traffic lanes with wider shoulders.

Under Governor Schwarzenegger's leadership, California leads the nation with \$2.53 billion in Recovery Act funding obligated to 915 highway, local street, and job training transportation projects statewide. For more information on the Recovery Act visit: <http://recovery.ca.gov/>

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