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Subject: Alhambra Avenue Temporary Road Closure

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MARTINEZ – Alhambra Avenue, including the eastbound ramp to Highway 4, will be closed temporarily from Thursday, September 7th through Sunday, September 10th between the hours of 9:00 pm – 5:00 am, to allow Burlington Northern Railway (BNR) to perform crossing repairs on their trestle bridge that spans Alhambra Avenue, south of Highway 4 in Martinez.

The Engineering Department in conjunction with the Police and Public Works Department, has reviewed and approved the traffic control plan provided by the encroachment permit applicant (RoadSafe Traffic Systems) for the temporary closure of Alhambra Avenue.

Below is the schedule for the temporary closures:

Date/Time Closed	Date/Time Re-Open
Thursday, September 7..... 9:00 pm	Friday, September 8..... 5:00 am
Friday, September 8..... 9:00 pm	Saturday, September 9..... 5:00 am
Saturday, September 9 9:00 pm	Sunday, September 10..... 5:00 am

Due to safety concerns, this project will require temporary full road closures of Alhambra Avenue to keep drivers safe and provide sufficient amount of work space for BNR crews to complete the repair work. The Martinez Police Department and RoadSafe Traffic Systems (traffic control contractor for BNR) has been notified to reach out to emergency responders in the area.

While we encourage drivers to follow signed detour routes, drivers can choose a route that best suits their needs. However, please plan ahead and review the attached detour information [here](#) to keep traffic moving through the area. Various methods of signage will be posted to clearly identify the alternate routes. As drivers adjust to the detours, traffic will be closely monitored and adjustments will be made, if necessary. Should congestion and other issues were to arise, we will attempt to balance the various needs of the community – maintaining east/west travel for commuters, allowing access to businesses, as well as keeping streets safe for residents near the project area.

For additional information regarding this planned closure, please contact **Jamie O’Shea of RoadSafe Traffic Systems at (775) 356-0103**. In case of an emergency, please contact Dispatch at the Martinez Police Department at (925) 372-3440.

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