



City of Pomona

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### **CORONA FREEWAY STATE ROUTE 71 (SR-71) MISSION BLVD. BRIDGE OPENING**

**Pomona** – On August 18th, traffic will be detoured on the newly constructed overpass and the newly constructed southbound on-ramp and northbound off-ramp will be open; however, since the northbound on-ramp and southbound off-ramp would still be under construction, the Mission Blvd. detour traffic will be placed on the new Mission Blvd. Bridge. It is estimated that for approximately three months, the SR 71 northbound on-ramp and SR 71 southbound off-ramps will be closed while the Contractor constructs the retaining walls and the on/off ramps. Detour signage will be in place to assist vehicular traffic in and around the intersection of Mission Blvd. and SR 71. The project website has been updated with the detour map.

Concurrent with the opening of the Mission Blvd. Bridge on August 18, 2011, 9th Street will close temporarily and Westmont Avenue will re-open to through traffic. At 9th Street and SR 71 intersection k-rail will be placed parallel to SR 71 to prevent vehicular traffic to traverse across SR 71, and the traffic signal heads will be covered. The traveling public has been informed of the anticipated closure and change in condition with the placement of changeable message boards on SR 71 and 9th Street. The Contractor has been directed to place appropriate signage advising of closure and detour routes east and west of SR 71.

Riverside Construction, Inc. is the contractor on this \$40 Million grade separation project with an expected completion by winter 2011. Signed detours will be posted for motorists' convenience. When complete, the project will elevate Mission Boulevard over SR-71, alleviating congestion and improving travel time and safety.

Caltrans and the City of Pomona remind you to "Slow for the Cone Zone"

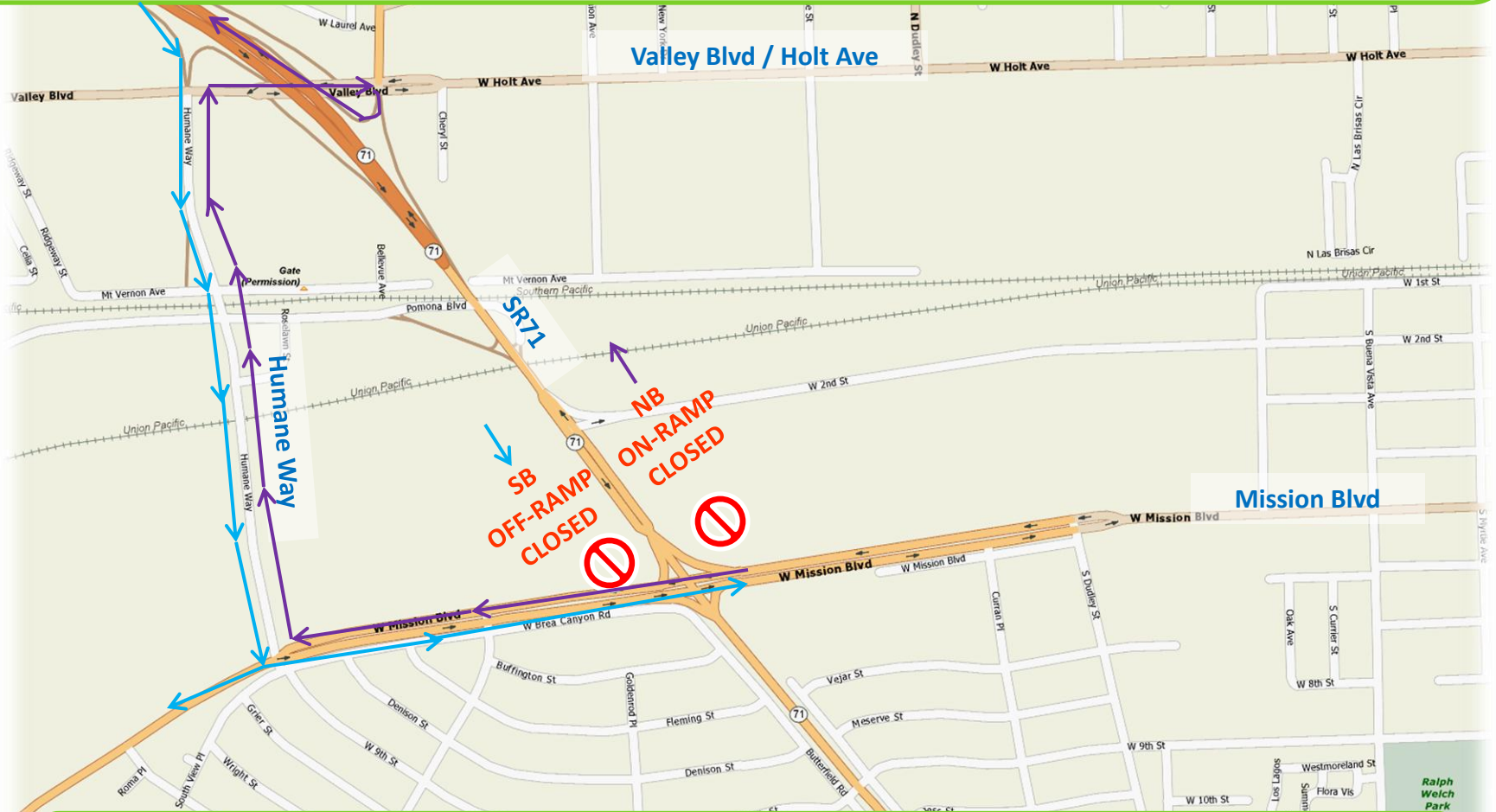
For additional project information go to: [www.mission71project.com](http://www.mission71project.com)

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# Mission Boulevard Off/On-Ramp Detour Map

The Mission Blvd. bridge will be open to traffic on August 18, 2011.

*The Southbound SR71 Off-Ramp and Northbound SR71 On-Ramp will be closed for approximately 3 months.  
Use alternate routes identified in map below.*



## CLOSED RAMPS:



Southbound Off- Ramp  
Northbound On- Ramp

## DETOUR ROUTES:



Detour for SB Off-Ramp  
Detour for NB On Ramp

