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SMART FREEWAY PILOT PROJECT Temecula/Murrieta



November 6, 2025



The I-15 Smart Freeway Pilot Project will require an overnight closure of the Rancho California Road direct on-ramp for northbound I-15 and northbound lane reductions beginning tonight, Thursday, November 6, 2025.

Please see closure details below. Construction activity and closures are subject to change due to inclement weather and other factors.

Ramp Closures

Date/Time	Activity and Location	Detour
Thursday, November 6 9 p.m. – 5 a.m.	Northbound I-15 Rancho California Road Direct On-ramp Full Closure	West on Rancho California Road to northbound Jefferson Avenue, east on Winchester Road to enter northbound I-15
Thursday, November 6	Northbound I-15 lane	No detour required, since

10 p.m. – 6 a.m.

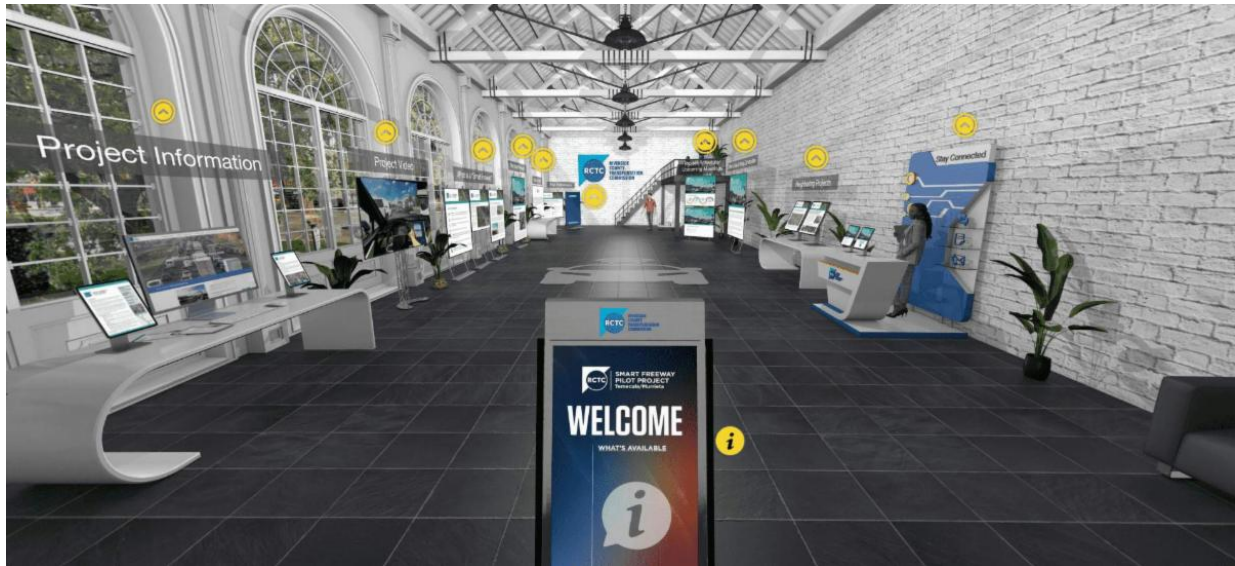
reductions from Temecula
Parkway to Winchester Rd.

other lanes will remain
open

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Neighboring Projects

I-15 Temecula Auxiliary Lanes Project: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) is constructing auxiliary lanes, and implementing other transportation system upgrades between Temecula Parkway to just north of Winchester Road on I-15. For more information, please visit the [Caltrans District 8 Webpage](#).

Project Background

RCTC, in partnership with Caltrans, the City of Temecula, and the Western Riverside Council of Governments, will be implementing an innovative technology along the northbound Interstate 15 (I-15) in Temecula and Murrieta that is anticipated to improve traffic operations.

The I-15 Smart Freeway Pilot Project will use “smart” technology to continuously monitor real-time traffic conditions along northbound I-15 in Temecula. This section of northbound I-15 encounters high traffic congestion from cars entering the Temecula Parkway, Rancho California Road, and Winchester Road on-ramps during peak afternoon and evening hours. The coordinated system will improve traffic flow by adjusting the optimal number of vehicles to enter and efficiently travel on the I-15.



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