



I-880 Express Lanes Construction Update May 18, 2020

Striping & Sign Changes ~May 27th – July 3rd

Project Overview

MTC is readying the I-880 Express Lanes to open in Fall 2020. Visit 511.org for everything you need to know to prepare for opening.

Striping & Sign Changes – Late May to Early July

Starting between May 27th and June 1st, work crews will begin striping new lane configurations on I-880. The new lane striping will be painted between the far-left HOV lane (lane 1) and the adjacent general-purpose lane (lane 2).

The new striping will be a significant change for drivers in the I-880 corridor and will designate where cars can get in or out of the far-left lane. The new striping will include lane access restrictions striped as double solid white lines. It is illegal to cross double white lines.

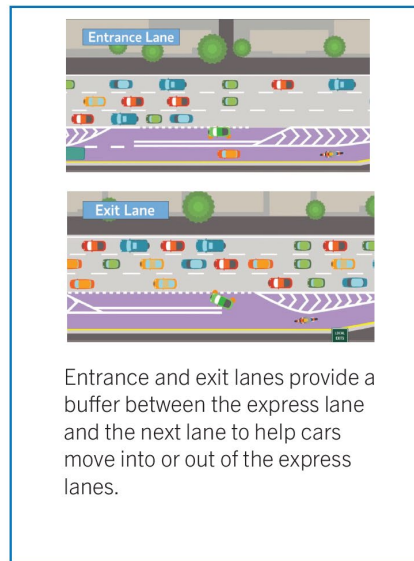
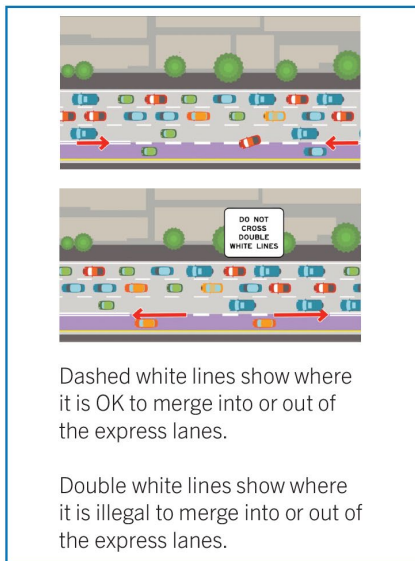
Striping changes are effective immediately and apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

As the striping is painted, signs explaining where to exit the far the left lane to reach different highway exits will be installed. Drivers will need to learn where they can enter and exit the lanes by following the new highway signs and by looking at reference maps on 511.org.

Schedule

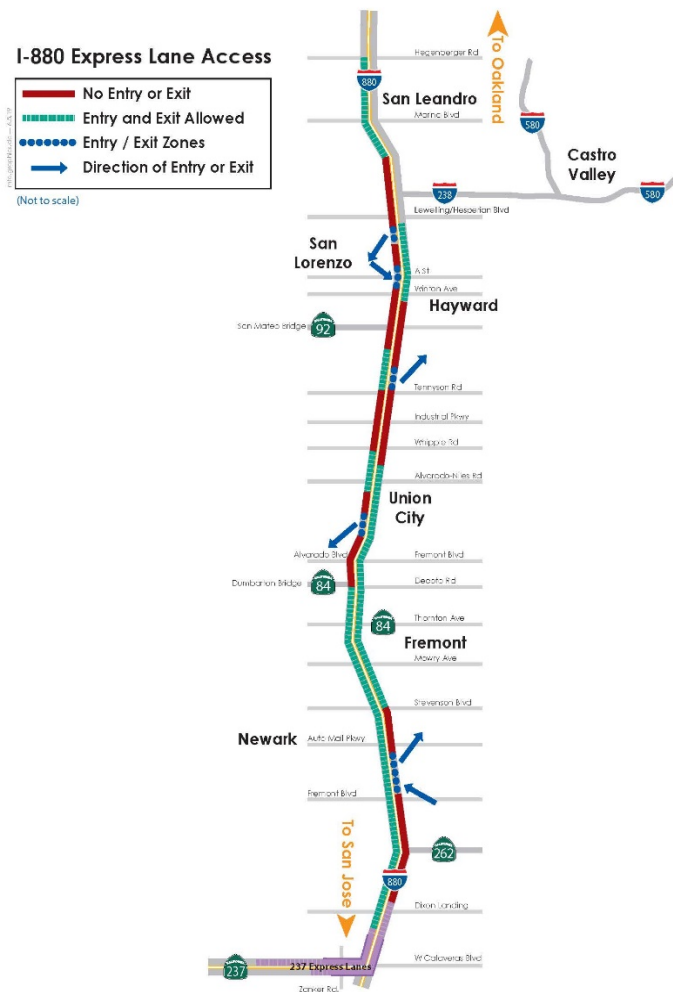
Striping work in the southbound lane will start at Hegenberger Road between May 27th and June 1st and proceed southbound to Dixon Landing Road. Southbound striping will be complete mid-June. Northbound striping work will occur from mid-June to July 3rd and proceed northbound from Dixon Landing Road to Lewelling Blvd. Several miles of striping will be painted each night and completed over five weeks.

Striping Changes



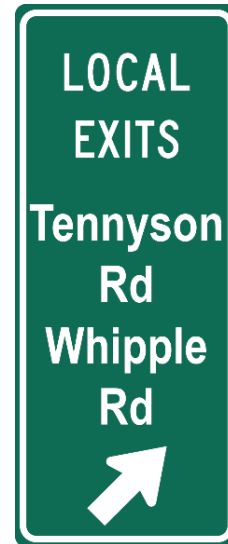
Striping Locations

- Double white lines will be painted between lanes 1 and 2 in the areas shown in red on the map below.
- Thick skip stripe will be painted between lanes 1 and 2 in the areas shown in green on the map below.
- Entry and exit zones will be painted between lanes 1 and 2 in the areas shown in blue on the map below.



New Signs

New signs explaining where to enter and exit the far-left lane will be installed in conjunction with new striping. Some express lane signs will also be installed, but their messages will be covered up until a few weeks before the express lane opening date.



What to Expect

- Consistent nighttime closures of up to 3 lanes for 2 to 5 mile stretches
- At least one traffic lane will be open in each direction at all times
- Significant changes to traffic patterns between the 1 & 2 lanes
- Paving work also continues through approximately June 20th in areas where I-880 was widened to accommodate more space for entering and exiting the express lanes. These areas are southbound Hesperian Blvd. to Winton Ave., southbound Alvarado-Niles Rd. to Alvarado Blvd., northbound near the truck scales at Auto Mall Parkway, and northbound near Tennyson Rd.

Future Work of Note

- Final installation of express lane signs starting ~3 weeks prior to the opening of the lanes
- Removal of sign overlays on existing signs starting ~3 weeks prior to the opening of the lanes
- Removal of HOV lane pavement diamonds and painting EXPRS LANE

Progress to Date

- Near full completion of civil construction
- Installed 80% of tolling equipment and 22 of 29 VTMS
- Installed median lights
- Tested all median lights
- Installed overhead sign structures and static signs
- Reconstructed median barrier
- Widened highway in three locations
- The Bay Area Infrastructure Financing Authority – MTC's committee that makes decisions about express lane policies – approved [tolling policies](#) for the I-880 corridor
- Installed conduit and electrical cabinets to power tolling equipment and facilitate data transfer



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