



## I-880 Express Lanes Construction Update June 12, 2020

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**Project Overview:** MTC is readying the [I-880 Express Lanes](#) to open Fall 2020.

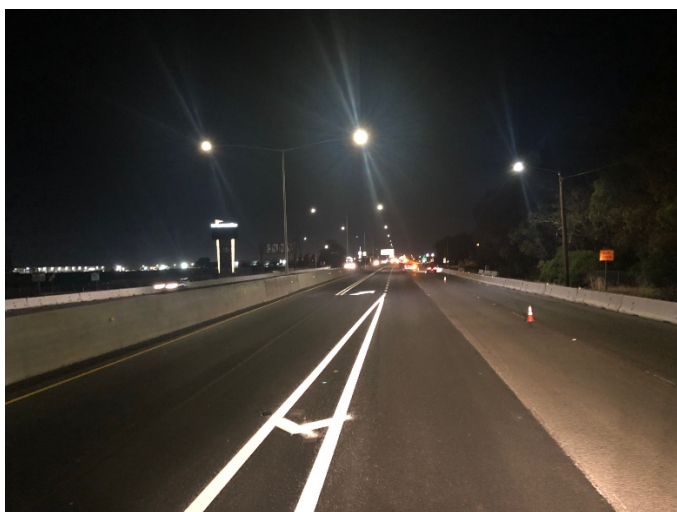
#### Striping & Sign Changes through mid-July

Work crews have been striping new lane configurations on I-880 and work will continue through mid-July. The new lane striping is being painted between the far-left HOV lane (lane 1) and the adjacent general-purpose lane (lane 2).

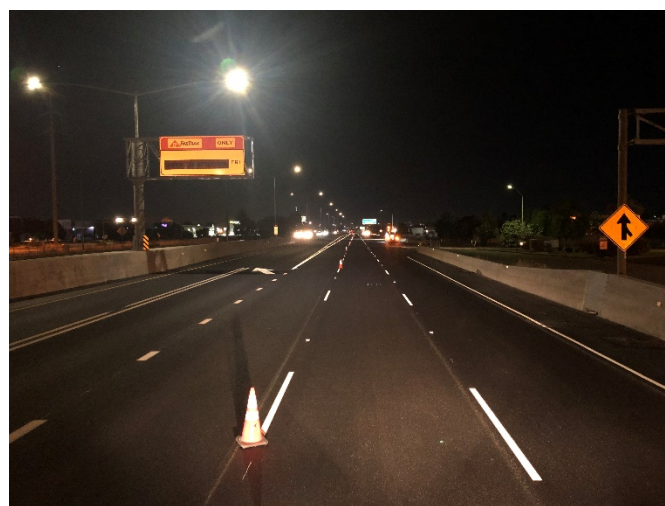
The new striping will be a significant change for drivers in the I-880 corridor. Double solid white lines designate where cars can get in or out of the far-left lane. The striping also creates buffers between lanes 1 and 2 in some areas to help cars merge more safely into or out of lane 1. The striping will improve lane performance and lane safety by managing merging traffic in congested areas.

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

**It is illegal to cross double white lines.**



Lane 1 exit buffer near Auto Mall Parkway, northbound I-880



Lane 1 entrance buffer near Auto Mall Parkway, northbound I-880

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 going to [511.org](http://511.org).



### Schedule

Striping work will occur intermittently in both the southbound and northbound directions through mid-July. Work in both directions will be done in the overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., with two to five miles completed each night. Work is taking place intermittently from Monday nights/Tuesday mornings through Friday nights/Saturday mornings. While at least one lane in either direction will be open at all times, as many as three lanes may be closed at one time.

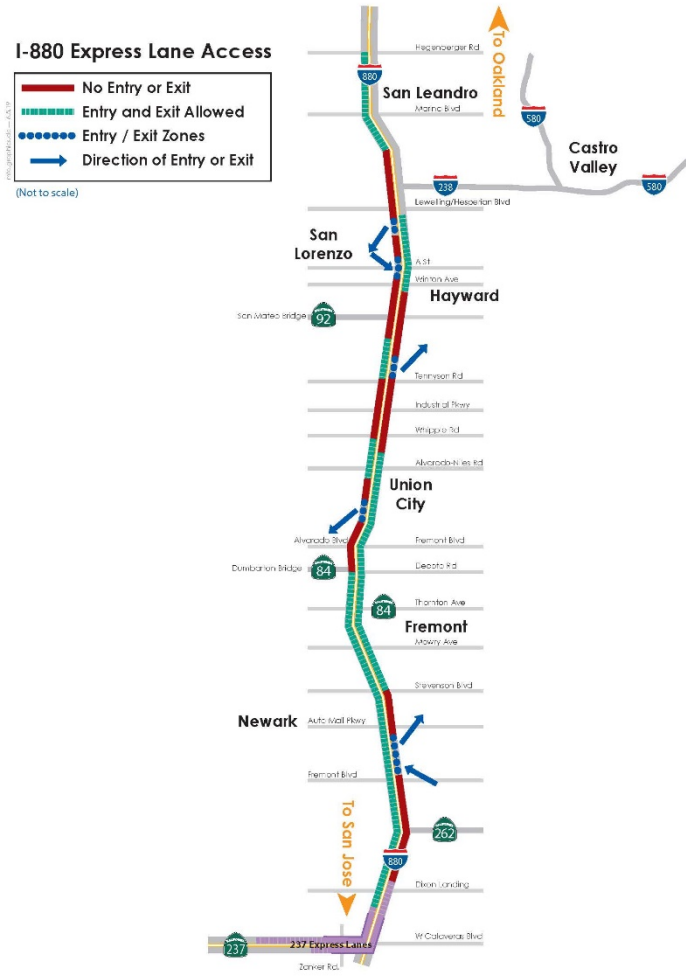
### Striping Changes

Dashed white lines show where it is OK to merge into or out of the express lanes.

Double white lines show where it is illegal to merge into or out of the express lanes.

Entrance and exit lanes provide a buffer between the express lane and the next lane to help cars move into or out of the express lanes.

## Striping Locations



## New Signs

Many new express lane signs are also being 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 will also occur 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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