



July Construction Update

FRESNO, Calif. – Hard work is paying off at the high-speed rail project sites in the Central Valley. Since the start of construction more than a year ago, the project now has seven active sites with more to come this fall. In this month’s construction update we showcase multiple images that highlight the progress we are making to build high-speed rail. For more pictures and continuous updates on construction, visit BuildHSR.com. For road closure information visit Caltrans QuickMap.

Fresno River Viaduct

Near Madera



The first glimpses of a finished product can be seen at the Fresno River Viaduct in Madera County. A long section of the viaduct is now free-standing after the “falsework” or support structure was removed. Concrete continues to be poured to finish the bridge deck on both sides of SR-145. Work to cross the highway will begin soon as will construction of the abutments.



Tuolumne Bridge Construction

Downtown Fresno



After more than 40 girders were placed in June, workers are now focused on the bridge deck at the Tuolumne Bridge in downtown Fresno. Form work is underway to create a mold for the bridge deck. Crews are working to complete this portion of the bridge by October.



State Route 99 Realignment

Central Fresno



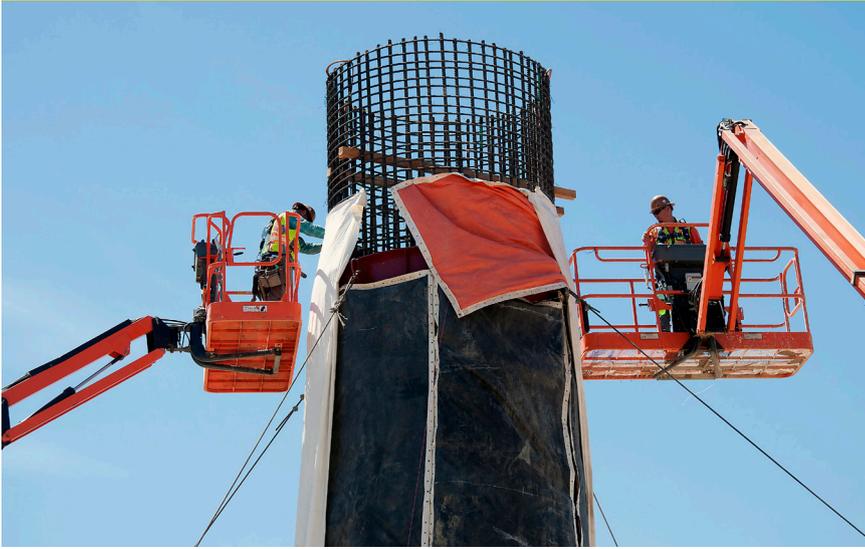
These two photos show major progress in the early work at the southbound State Route 99 off-ramp to Golden State Blvd. This is part of the SR-99 Realignment project. Paving at Ashlan Avenue is also complete. Caltrans will soon close the Clinton Avenue off-ramp as it makes preparations to tear down and rebuild the bridge there.



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Cedar Viaduct

South Fresno



The rebar cages for nine columns are now in place at the Cedar Viaduct in South Fresno. Concrete for four of those columns has been poured, with two more columns expected to be poured by the end of July. Drilling work is now moving north across North Avenue.



Cottonwood Creek

Madera County



Rebar cages have now been installed to form eight columns for the bridge at Cottonwood Creek in Madera County. Crews are in the process of pouring concrete for those columns. The Cottonwood Creek bridge will be 250 feet long stretching from north of Avenue 13 to south of Avenue 15 in Madera County.



San Joaquin River Viaduct

North Fresno



Engineers are reviewing plans to start foundation work in the riverbed at the San Joaquin River Viaduct in North Fresno. Rebar cages have been tied and are ready to be placed once drilling work is complete.



Fresno Trench/SR-180 Passageway

Fresno



Fresno Trench- Foundation work has been completed for a few sections of the Fresno Trench project. Crews are now preparing for excavation activities that are expected to begin within the next month.

SR-180 Passageway- Shoulder improvement work will begin on a section of State Route 180 between G and H streets for the construction of a passageway as part of the Fresno Trench project. This work is considered Stage Zero and will allow for traffic rerouting during construction. To see detailed look at the project stages visit BuildHSR.com.

Conceptual Rendering

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