



MEDIA ALERT

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Cosumnes River Blvd. to close for installation of water pipeline

Traffic re-routed to new temporary bypass road on November 2

SACRAMENTO, (Nov. 1, 2007) – Cosumnes River Boulevard between Franklin Boulevard and Center Parkway will close starting November 2 for six months. Traffic will be re-routed onto a new temporary road north of the existing Cosumnes River Boulevard. The road will be closed so an 84-inch underground water pipeline can be installed along Cosumnes River Boulevard.

The Freeport Regional Water Authority (FRWA) is installing the pipeline as part of the Freeport Regional Water Project (FRWP). The FRWP will convey surface water from the Sacramento River to facilities operated by the Sacramento County Water Agency (SCWA) in central Sacramento County and to the Mokelumne Aqueducts in San Joaquin County for use by the East Bay Municipal Utility District (EBMUD).

A new water intake facility is currently being constructed on the Sacramento River, just north of the town of Freeport. It will have the capacity to draw up to 185 million gallons of water per day to serve the two agencies. Seventeen miles of pipeline will convey the water from the intake facility through the City and County of Sacramento to SCWA and EBMUD facilities. Portions of the pipeline are also currently being installed along Gerber Road.

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