

About the Project

The Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA), in coordination with Metrolink, is replacing the railroad bridge over San Juan Creek in the City of San Juan Capistrano to enhance safety and reduce maintenance needs. Once the new bridge is completed and train service is switched over, the existing bridge will be demolished. Construction is expected to be completed in 2026.

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Construction Activities

Contractors will be primarily working in the San Juan Creek as they begin to construct the bridge foundation and columns. Drill rigs and other equipment have been mobilized as crews prepare to install piles or steel beams that are drilled into the ground to provide support for the new bridge. Other activities include excavation, installation of rebar cages and concrete pours.

The first of several concrete pours is expected to begin as early as Friday, June 14, from 4 a.m. to 4 p.m. Approximately 40 concrete trucks will be accessing the creek from Camino Capistrano and exiting at Stonehill Drive. No lane closures are anticipated during this operation. Additional concrete pours are expected to occur once a week through July.

This work may be loud. The schedule is subject to change due to inclement weather or unforeseen operational issues.



Contractors mobilizing equipment to the project site.



Contractors grading a temporary access ramp into the creek.

San Juan Creek Trail Closure

A segment of the San Juan Creek Trail/Vereda Bikeway beneath the bridge is expected to be closed intermittently during construction. The first closure is expected to occur this summer. More information regarding the details of the closure will be available soon.

A detour has been established using Camino Capistrano, Del Obispo Street and the Trabuco Creek Trail. The detour is the most direct route around the closure.



View Detour Map

Train Horns

Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) guidelines require all trains to sound their horns when workers are present, in emergency situations, or when there are trespassers on or around railroad tracks. This federal mandate applies to construction zones. As a result, for the safety of construction workers, train crews and passengers, train horns will sound when they pass through the area.

Noise and Vibration

As with any construction project, the public and businesses adjacent to the work area may experience noise and vibration from demolition and drilling activities, as well as light from evening operations.

Noise may be generated from back-up alarms from construction equipment. The alarms are required by state regulation.

In Your Community

The Public Outreach team holds regular project information booths at Descanso Park in San Juan Capistrano and Doheny State Beach in Dana Point. We encourage the community to stop by and ask questions, sign up for construction alerts, or pick up project resources!

Our next booth will be at:

Descanso Park 32506 Paseo Adelanto, San Juan Capistrano Saturday, June 8, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.



Project Resources

Project Website **Fact Sheet**

FAQs

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