



SAN JUAN CREEK BRIDGE REPLACEMENT PROJECT



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 early 2027.

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Construction Activities

Contractors are continuing to construct the bridge foundation for the new railroad bridge. This requires concrete pours to continue weekly through August. Approximately 40 concrete trucks will be accessing the creek from Camino Capistrano and exiting at Stonehill Drive. No lane closures are anticipated during this activity.

Pile Driving Update

Crews are preparing to perform pile driving adjacent to the San Juan Creek Trail. Eight steel beams (image below) also referred to as “piles” will be driven into the ground to provide foundation support for the new railroad bridge. This daytime work is expected to begin next week and take several days to complete. During this time, adjacent businesses and residents may experience noise and vibratory impacts.

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



Crews installing bridge foundation.



Piles that provide bridge support.

San Juan Creek Trail Closed Through Aug. 6

The San Juan Creek Trail is currently closed between the pedestrian bridge over Trabuco Creek and Camino Capistrano. The trail is expected to reopen on Wednesday, Aug. 7. **These dates are subject to change.**

Detour: Trail users are being detoured to Camino Capistrano, Del Obispo Street and Trabuco Creek Trail. Bicyclists are encouraged to walk their bikes along Del Obispo Street. View the closure and detour map [here](#).

Once the trail reopens, crews will continue to work in this area and will need to briefly close the trail intermittently through the end of August. This will require flaggers to manage trail traffic while equipment is being moved. Pedestrians and bicyclists will be briefly stopped by flaggers until the trail is cleared and it is safe for them to proceed.



In Your Community

Earlier this week, the Public Outreach team presented to the San Juan Capistrano Rotary Club to share project information, answer questions and engage in meaningful discussions. Thank you to everyone who tuned in to learn more about the project.

If you are part of a local community group or organization and are interested in scheduling a



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