



# SOUTH COUNTY I-5 IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT

## SR-73 TO EL TORO ROAD



**LENGTH**  
6.5 miles

**AFFECTED CITIES**  
Mission Viejo, Lake Forest, Laguna Woods,  
Laguna Hills, Laguna Niguel &  
San Juan Capistrano

### AT A GLANCE

<b>TOTAL ESTIMATED COST:</b>	\$664 million
<b>FUNDING SOURCE:</b>	OC Go, State and Federal
<b>DEVELOPMENT PHASE:</b>	Construction
<b>SEGMENTS:</b>	El Toro Rd. to Alicia Pkwy. <span style="color: green;">◆</span> Alicia Pkwy. to Oso Pkwy. <span style="color: orange;">◆</span> Oso Pkwy. to SR-73 <span style="color: red;">◆</span>
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Fact Sheet as of 01/24/2025






Estimated schedule and cost subject to change



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### PROJECT OVERVIEW

OCTA and Caltrans are working together to construct the I-5 Freeway Improvement Project from SR-73 to El Toro Road in south Orange County. The project spans 6.5 miles and once completed, will have new overhead signage, new sound and retaining walls, as well as numerous other operational and technological upgrades, including:

-  New regular lane in each direction of I-5 between Avery Parkway to Alicia Parkway
-  Extended second carpool lane from Alicia to El Toro Road in both directions as well as convert carpool lanes to continuous access
-  Reconstructed and improved Avery and La Paz Road interchanges
-  New Los Alisos Boulevard Bridge, including improved sidewalks and bicycle lanes
-  New auxiliary lanes at seven locations

### PROJECT STATUS

The project is about 90 percent complete and is being constructed in three distinct segments. The overall estimated construction schedule spans from 2019 to early 2025.

Throughout construction, OCTA and Caltrans will continue to work together with motorists and stakeholders as well as our cities and county partners.

### CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE

SEGMENT	ESTIMATED TIMEFRAME
El Toro Rd. to Alicia Pkwy. <span style="color: green;">◆</span>	January 2021 to Early 2025
Alicia Pkwy. to Oso Pkwy. <span style="color: orange;">◆</span>	April 2019 to December 2024 (completed ✓)
Oso Pkwy. to SR-73 <span style="color: red;">◆</span>	January 2020 to Early 2025