

# Thomas Roads Improvement Program

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## Traffic Advisory

### Coffee Road Lane Closures

Shell Oil will begin relocating an oil line that runs down the middle of Coffee Road on Tuesday, June 1, 2010. This work will require lane closures on northbound Coffee Road, from Brimhall Road south to the Cross Valley Canal bridge. The relocation is necessary to avoid a conflict with the center support columns for the future Westside Parkway Bridge that will cross over Coffee Road.

The oil line relocation is expected to take two to three weeks to complete. Shell plans to perform the majority of the work at night, between the hours of 8:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. During these hours, the northbound inside and center lanes will be closed to traffic. The center lane will be open during daylight hours, so two lanes will be available for heavier daytime traffic. The inside northbound lane will remain under a 24-hour closure.

Additional short-term daytime closures to northbound lanes at the Brimhall Road intersection will be required when Shell reconnects the relocated oil line. TRIP will provide specific information regarding these closures prior to the tie-in.

All southbound lanes are expected to remain open while the oil line is relocated. However, once Shell has completed its work, Security Paving Company plans to begin work on the bridge's center support columns. This work is expected to require 24-hour closures for the inside traffic lanes, in both directions. It is anticipated that two lanes will remain open in each direction while the columns are under construction. TRIP will also issue updated information prior to the start of this work.

Motorists may want to avoid this area or allow additional time if traveling through this section of Coffee Road. The Thomas Roads Improvement Program apologizes for any inconvenience this work causes the traveling public.

For additional information on the Westside Parkway project, please visit our website at [www.BakersfieldFreeways.us](http://www.BakersfieldFreeways.us).

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