



June 5, 2014

**Ridgecrest Blvd. Project,**

Roadway Construction

Ridgecrest Blvd. is closed to through traffic between Mahan and Downs. Businesses and local traffic are permitted within the construction zone. Construction activities include SCE pole relocations, asphalt removal, roadway grading and grading for curb and gutter. Due to SCE's schedule and coordination for the pole relocation it is anticipated that this reach of roadway will remain closed to through traffic until mid-July.

Utility Relocation

Indian Wells Valley Water District is completing the installation of the new 12-inch water line between Downs and Norma. The water line has been pressure tested, chlorinated and is now ready for bacterial testing. The Water District will begin tie in connections at Downs and Norma intersection beginning Monday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. Expect traffic delays in the intersections during that week. The next phase of work is the transfer of individual customer's water service lines from the old water main to the new main. After that has been completed the old water main will be removed from the street.

SCE's contractor has begun lowering vault lids in the reach between Downs and Balsam beginning today.

Future Street Closures

It is anticipated that beginning June 12<sup>th</sup> Ridgecrest Blvd. between Downs and Norma will be closed to through traffic. Businesses and local traffic will be permitted within the construction zone. Construction activities in the Downs to Norma reach will have multiple construction tasks in that reach. IWVWD, SCE and Griffith Construction will be occupying that reach with various construction activities.

IWVWD will be transferring customer water services. SCE will be lowering vault lids and Griffith will begin asphalt removals. This will be a very busy reach for construction traffic and excavations. Some of the utilities will be exposed above grade and will be delineated with cones and barricades. Locals and business traffic are asked to be very aware in the cone zone. Depending upon unforeseen conditions, conflicts and utility coordination the term of the road way closure is undetermined at this time.

### **South Sunland Street**

Construction on South Sunland Street between Ridgecrest Blvd. and Upjohn is tentatively scheduled to begin on Monday, June 16<sup>th</sup>. The contractor, Griffith Construction, will be notifying residents in advance of their construction activities. Additional information on street closures and traffic handling will be made available as we approach the construction start date.

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