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Closure Extended on Carson Road within U.S. Highway 50 Camino Safety Project in El Dorado County

County Road Being Reconstructed as Part of Ongoing Construction Project

CAMINO – Caltrans District 3 and the El Dorado County Department of Transportation are notifying the traveling public that the reopening of Carson Road within the ongoing U.S. Highway 50 (US 50) Camino Safety Project has been further delayed.

Carson Road between Robindale Drive and Carson Court, which was originally closed July 18, is now expected to remain **closed into next week** due to conflicts with underground utilities. The utilities had to be lowered several feet. That work is now complete and the contractor, Security Paving, Inc., is working on roadway excavation, which will be followed by applying road base material and asphalt paving.

The road bed should be ready for asphalt **Wednesday, Aug. 10**, and depending on the availability of the asphalt, will be paved and reopened **Thursday, Aug. 11**. If the asphalt is not available, the road will be opened on base rock **Tuesday, Aug. 9** and final paving will be rescheduled to a later date.

The full closure of Carson Road is minimizing long-term staging disruptions and is expediting the work to reconstruct Carson Road and Carson Court, which will connect to the new Pondorado Undercrossing being built.

Eastbound US 50 motorists seeking access to Carson Road during the closure will be detoured to 8 Mile Road/Cedar Grove (Exit 54). Westbound US 50 motorists can exit at “upper” Carson Road or “lower” Carson Road (see detour map).

This \$55.4 million safety project consists of constructing a continuous 56-inch-high concrete median barrier on a three-mile stretch of US 50 from Still Meadows Road to Carson Road that will restrict left turns at all at-grade intersections, building an undercrossing that will provide a safe way for traffic to cross US 50, improving drainage, replacing two El Dorado Irrigation water lines, building a wildlife undercrossing, repaving the highway, and improvements to county roads that includes a roundabout to connect to the new undercrossing.





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The US 50 intersection at Camino Heights Drive is scheduled to **remain open** to left turns until the undercrossing is open to traffic, which is expected **late this month or early September**. There will be two access points for emergency responders needing to cross the highway after the project is completed.

The construction schedule is subject to change based on weather, the availability of crews and equipment or other unexpected events.

Caltrans has collaborated with the El Dorado County Department of Transportation, El Dorado Irrigation District and the El Dorado County Transportation Commission on the project, with the county providing \$7.3 million in funding for local road improvements.

The project includes \$3.4 million in funding from Senate Bill 1, the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017. SB 1 provides \$5 billion in transportation funding annually split between the state and local agencies. Road projects progress through construction phases more quickly based on the availability of SB 1 funds, including projects that are partially funded by SB 1. For more information about other projects funded by SB 1, visit www.RebuildingCA.ca.gov.

[Caltrans District 3](#) is responsible for 4,385 highway lane miles in 11 Sacramento Valley and Northern Sierra counties. The [El Dorado County Department of Transportation](#) is responsible for 1,083 centerline miles of roadway and 76 bridges.

For project updates, follow Caltrans District 3 on Twitter [@CaltransDist3](#) and on [Facebook at CaltransDistrict3](#). For real-time traffic, click on Caltrans' QuickMap quickmap.dot.ca.gov/ or download the QuickMap app from the [App Store](#) or [Google Play](#).

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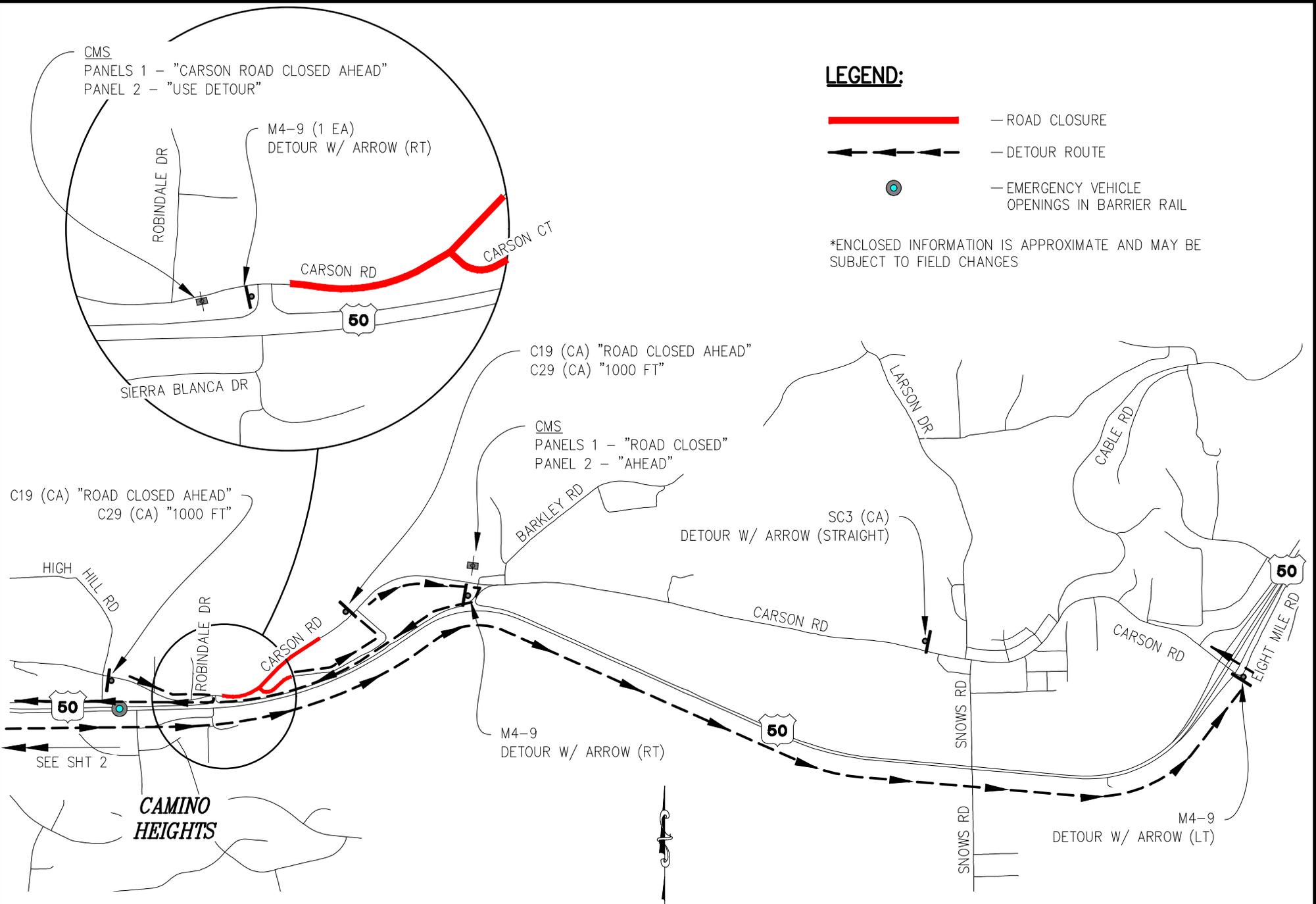


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 PANEL 2 - "USE DETOUR"

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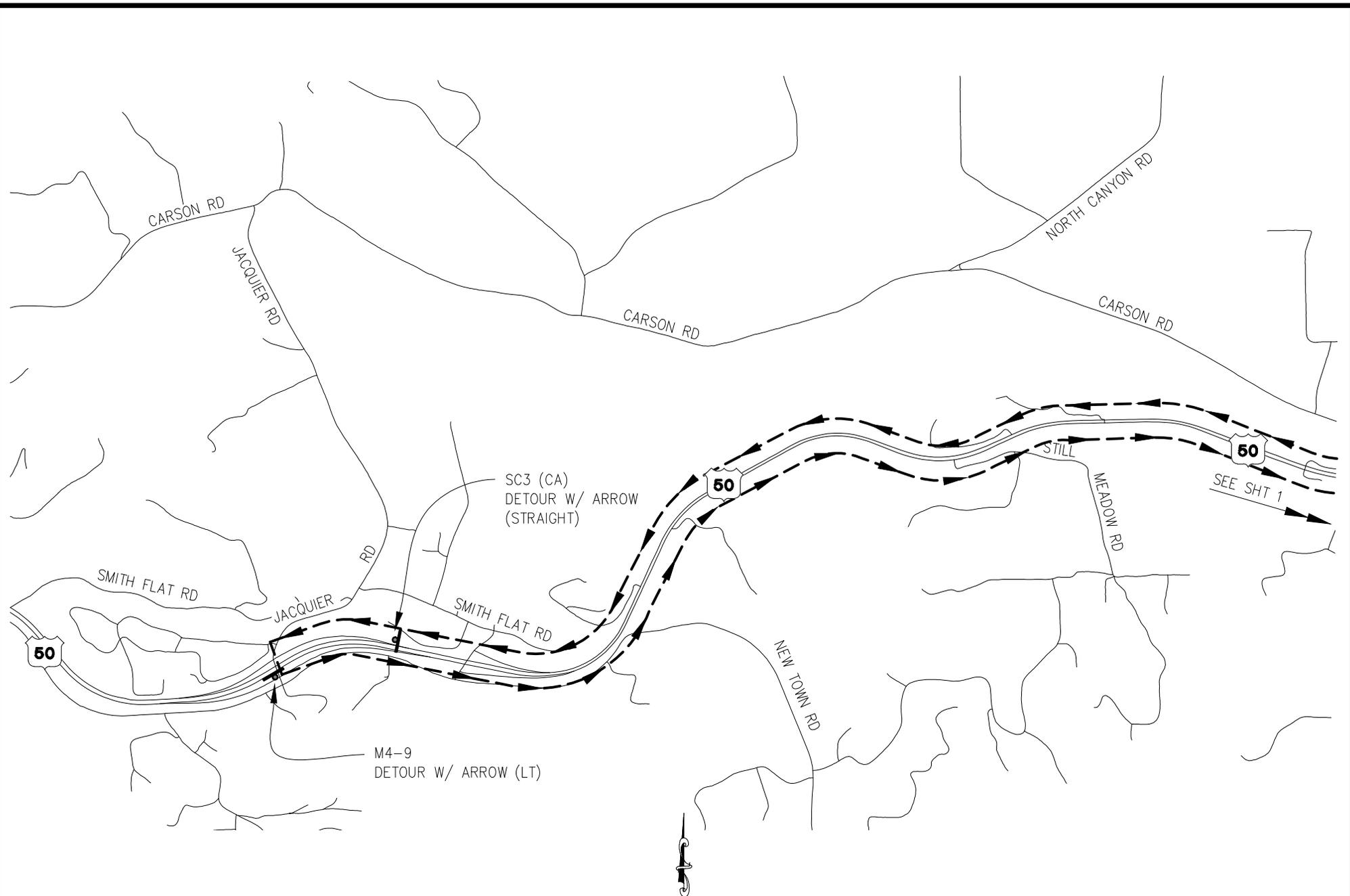
-  — ROAD CLOSURE
-  — DETOUR ROUTE
-  — EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPENINGS IN BARRIER RAIL

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DETOUR MAP

CARSON ROAD CLOSURE
 HIGHWAY 50 UNDERCROSSING AT CARSON COURT



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