



CALTRANS COMMUTER ALERT

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STATE ROUTE 178 CLOSED IN KERN RIVER CANYON DUE TO ROCK SLIDE

WHAT: FULL CLOSURE ON STATE ROUTE 178 IN KERN RIVER CANYON
WHEN: TUESDAY, AUGUST 20TH UNTIL THURSDAY AUGUST 22ND
WHERE: IN KERN COUNTY; IN THE KERN RIVER CANYON PORTION OF STATE ROUTE 178.

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces that it has closed eastbound and westbound State Route (SR) 178 in the Kern River Canyon. This closure is due to a major Rock Slide in the Canyon.

In order to safely initiate the clean-up and clearing of the roadway, Caltrans Crews will be operating heavy equipment in and out of the Kern River Canyon for the next two (2) days. All traffic is directed to use alternate routes in and out of the Canyon.

Motorists may expect long delays in this area and are encouraged to avoid this area or use an alternate route whenever possible.

Signage will be in place along SR178 advising motorists of the closures and delays.

Due to uncontrollable events which may occur during this process, scheduled closures may continue for a longer period of time if necessary.

Caltrans thanks the residents, businesses and commuters in Bakersfield and the Lake Isabella region for their patience during this exercise. The public is asked to drive with extra care while traveling through the construction area and please **“Slow for the Cone Zone.”**

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