

Construction Along PCH

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The drive along PCH through Pacific Palisades and Santa Monica is about to get very rough for a few years, from October 2009 through December 2011.

In October 2009, the city of Santa Monica will begin an effort to repair the bluffs along the highway's northbound side. From then through April 2010, one northbound lane will be shut down Monday through Saturday from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. These parameters were reached after getting input from the PCH Taskforce, a meeting of neighborhood groups, law enforcement and city and county officials. For more information on this project, go to <http://www01.smgov.net/engineering/pchpartners/projects.htm> and <http://www01.smgov.net/engineering/pchpartners/schedule.htm>.

In late 2010, the City of Los Angeles Department of Public Works will be doing a sewer pipeline project along southbound PCH that will likely lead to lane closures, although it's unclear when and where at this point. The Coastal Interceptor Relief Sewer project is part of the voter-approved Proposition O, which was passed in 2004 to help clean up ocean water. In conjunction with three other sewer treatment projects in the area, it will provide more capacity. For more information, see http://eng.lacity.org/projects/prop_o/index_prop_o.htm.

And in 2011, the city of Santa Monica will embark on its reconstruction of the California Incline from PCH to the city's downtown. The incline will be shut down for a year, and traffic will be detoured to Moomat Ahiko Way (from PCH to Ocean Avenue at the tunnel entrance).