



# COMMUTER ADVISORY

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Eastbound Interstate 80 Ramp Meters in Fairfield to be Activated February 18<sup>th</sup> Watch For New Signals at On-Ramps**

**SOLANO COUNTY** – The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans), the Solano Transportation Authority (STA), and the Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) are scheduled to activate ramp meters on eastbound Interstate 80 in Fairfield on Tuesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>.

This first stage of ramp meter activation in Solano County includes nine on-ramp locations on eastbound I-80 between Red Top Road and North Texas Street.

#### **What to Watch For**

The ramp meters in Fairfield will remain on green starting February 18<sup>th</sup> until February 21<sup>st</sup>. After February 21<sup>st</sup>, the meters will remain green under typical Monday-Thursday freeway conditions; except on Fridays or excessively heavy traffic weekdays when they will cycle (operate) red-green.

Drivers entering I-80 where ramp meters are activated should stop at red and wait until the metering light turns green to enter I-80. Caltrans will monitor traffic conditions and operate ramp meters as appropriate.

#### **What is Ramp Metering?**

Ramp metering is a traffic management strategy using traffic signals and accompanying equipment and techniques to manage onramp flow on the freeway system.

#### **Future Stages**

Additional ramp meters on I-80 in Dixon, Vacaville, and Vallejo will be activated at a later date as part of stages 2 and 3 of ramp meter activation in Solano County.

#### **Additional Details**

For more information, including maps and pictures go to our new Caltrans I-80 Solano Ramp Metering webpage at: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/dist4/projects/solano80metering/>

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