

Water Conservation and Drought Fighting Resources

Statewide water conservation efforts aim to cut overall water use by twenty percent. A number of water conservation resources are available to San Juan Capistrano residents and businesses to help them save water. For information about the resources listed below, contact Francie Kennedy, Water Conservation Coordinator at (949) 487-4304 or via email at fkennedy@sanjuancapistrano.org.

- Free Home Water Survey
- Toilet Replacement Incentive
- Professional Sprinkler System Assistance
- Free Homeowners Association Site Survey
- Turf Removal Rebates

This drought is serious. Together, we can help.



The City at Your Fingertips

City Mobile App designed to enhance resident and visitor experience.

The City's first mobile app now allows residents and visitors to access city information in an instant. The app provides information on places to shop and dine, parks, trails, events and calendar information. It's also a tool to instantly report issues, like potholes or graffiti!

Download the City's first mobile app by scanning this QR code, visiting our website or searching "San Juan Capistrano" on Apple's App Store or Google Play.



Upcoming Events



Free Flu Shot Clinic

Offered by the Juaneno Band of Mission Indians
November 1st
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Tribal Hall – 31411 A La Matanza Street



Second Saturday Art Fair

In the Historic Downtown and Los Rios District
November 8th and December 13th
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Free E-Waste Disposal and Document Shredding

November 22nd
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 pm.
San Juan Capistrano City Hall



Shop Local – Small Business Saturday

November 29th
All Day
Throughout San Juan Capistrano



Tree Lighting Ceremony

December 6th
4:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Historic Town Center Park



City Hall Closed

December 24th through January 2nd



City News & Notes

Fall 2014

See What's Coming Up, Downtown



Exciting things coming to San Juan Capistrano's bustling downtown. The City is launching two initiatives to support the growing economic vitality of our historic downtown: a Verdugo Street Beautification Project and a Downtown Parking Management Plan are in the works.

Verdugo Street Improvements

This historic thoroughfare from the train depot to downtown San Juan Capistrano is set for improvements. This project is an element of the City's Historic Town Center Master Plan that will widen sidewalks, add landscaping, lighting, pavers and incorporate historically significant designs to enhance the local experience.

The project will create a beautiful pedestrian friendly connection linking downtown and the Los Rios District attracting residents and visitors to local restaurants and shops. The City selected the San Juan Capistrano based RRM Design Group to prepare design concepts. The project includes a public review process and the designs will be presented to the community for input. Work is expected to begin within 18 months.

Downtown Parking Enhancements

Increased activity and the economic growth of downtown has increased the demand for parking. The City is addressing this need with a Downtown Parking Management Plan that will add 81 parking spaces in the downtown area and improve on street parking by March 1, 2015. The City met with and received valuable input from the Chamber of Commerce, local businesses and the Orange County Sheriff's Department to develop the plan.

Concurrently, work is being done to update the 2008 City of San Juan Capistrano Downtown Parking Study to add parking as part of the Historic Town Center Master Plan, including a possible parking structure. Downtown parking will be discussed further at the December 16, 2014 City Council meeting.



All renderings are conceptual and subject to change.



CRITICAL INFORMATION AND MAP ON THE I-5/ORTEGA INTERCHANGE CONSTRUCTION INSIDE!

I-5 / ORTEGA HIGHWAY INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

UPDATED CONSTRUCTION CLOSURE SCHEDULE

1	NORTH (I-5) OFF-RAMP AT ORTEGA	COMPLETED
<p>CLOSED beginning Sept. 8, 2014 for 2 weeks*</p>		
2a	SOUTH (I-5) ON-RAMP FROM ORTEGA	IN PROGRESS
<p>CLOSED Sept. 22 through Nov. 25*</p> <p>Use Camino Capistrano or Junipero Serra Road to access I-5 south</p>		
2b	ORTEGA HWY, BETWEEN SOUTHBOUND FREEWAY RAMPS AND DEL OBISPO	IN PROGRESS
<p>CLOSED beginning Nov. 3 for approximately 3 weeks. Expected to reopen Nov. 25.*</p> <p>This closure overlaps with closure 2a</p> <p>Use San Juan Creek Road/Camino Capistrano or Junipero Serra Road to access Historic Downtown</p> <p>CLOSED on Ortega Bridge</p>		
3	ORTEGA HWY, BETWEEN DEL OBISPO AND EL CAMINO REAL	NEXT
<p>CLOSED beginning November 2014 after closures 2a and 2b are completed*</p>		
<p><i>*Dates and time frames are subject to change due to unforeseen weather and operational factors.</i></p>		



PROJECT DETAILS

The I-5 / Ortega Highway project is in its last year of construction, and Caltrans is preparing to shift traffic onto the newly constructed portion of the bridge by the Thanksgiving holiday.

Road Closures

This next stage of construction includes the full closure and reconfiguration of Ortega Highway between the southbound freeway ramps and Del Obispo Street. It's expected to begin Monday, Nov. 3, and last up to three weeks. Use San Juan Creek Road/Camino Capistrano or Junipero Serra Road to access Historic Downtown.

Next Steps

Caltrans expects to demolish the north half of the Ortega Highway Bridge in mid-December and will begin reconstruction efforts in the New Year. Remaining activities will follow.



Make it your mission to shop, dine and explore San Juan Capistrano.

Stay Informed

For up-to-date construction information and a detailed list of closures and detours, please visit octa.net/ORTEGA.

