



# TRAFFIC ALERT

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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

### **Retaining Wall Work to Start on Highway 49 near Cool** *Highway will be Under One-Way Traffic Control for Several Weeks*

EL DORADO COUNTY – Work is set to begin on Monday to stabilize a section of State Highway 49 in El Dorado County with a new retaining wall, Caltrans announced today.

Construction is estimated to take six weeks to complete and will require continuous one-way traffic control. Flaggers will direct traffic during the day and a signal will operate at night. The work will be done behind k-rail blocking the northbound lane. Motorists should expect delays of up to 20 minutes during daytime work, which will be from **7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Saturday** and Sundays if needed.

The existing slope in this area, about three miles north of the town of Cool in the American River Canyon, is failing after heavy rains last winter. A new 160-foot retaining wall, called a soldier pile wall, will be built and metal beam guardrail will be replaced.

Doug Veerkamp Engineering, Inc., is the contractor on this \$3 million emergency project.

Weather or other factors could delay the work. Caltrans urges motorists to “Be Work Zone Alert.” The department issues traffic updates on Twitter [@CaltransDist3](https://twitter.com/CaltransDist3) and on Facebook at [CaltransDistrict3](https://www.facebook.com/CaltransDistrict3). For real-time traffic information, click on Caltrans’ QuickMap at [quickmap.dot.ca.gov/](http://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/) or download the QuickMap app on [iTunes](https://itunes.apple.com) or [Google Play](https://play.google.com).



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