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New Tolling Policies Announced for I-680 and I-580

Tolling resumes on I-680 Sunol Express Lanes and 50% tolling starts for clean air vehicles on the I-580 and I-680 Express Lanes in Alameda County; users are encouraged to get their FasTrak Flex® toll tags to take advantage of carpool discounts

ALAMEDA COUNTY, Calif. – The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) and the Interstate 680 Sunol Smart Carpool Lane Joint Powers Authority (I-680 Sunol JPA) today announced that beginning this Friday, March 31, 2023, tolling would resume on the I-680 Sunol Express Lanes, and new toll policies for clean air vehicles (CAVs) would be in effect on both the Interstate 580 (I-580) Express Lane and the I-680 Express Lanes in Alameda County.

Beginning Friday March 31, I-680 express lanes will resume operations between 5:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. from Monday to Friday. FasTrak® is required for ALL express lanes users, and drivers are encouraged to get a FasTrak Flex® toll tag for carpooling or a FasTrak® CAV toll tag for CAVs. Carpools of 2 or more occupants and motorcyclists can continue to use the lanes for free with a FasTrak Flex® toll tag. Visit www.bayareafastrak.org to find out how to get your FasTrak® toll tag.

I-680 Tolling Policy Details



I-680 tolls begin northbound north of Mission Boulevard/State Route (SR) 262 to SR-84/Vallecitos Road and southbound from SR-84/Calaveras Road to SR-237/Calaveras Boulevard.

New road rules that drivers should know for I-680 Sunol Express Lanes include:

- FasTrak Flex® toll tag requirements for optimal savings;
- Dashed road lines allowing drivers to enter and exit express lanes more frequently; and
- Half-price discounts for solo drivers in CAVs with a FasTrak® CAV toll tag.



New I-580 Tolling Policy Details

I-580 tolling continues to operate across two eastbound lanes, one from Hacienda Drive to Greenville Road and a second eastbound lane from El Charro Road to Vasco Road. Westbound tolling continues on I-580 beginning at Greenville Road and extends 12 miles to the west.

The new rule that applies to I-580 Express Lanes is:

- Solo drivers in CAVs pay half-price with a FasTrak® CAV toll tag

“Express lanes increase the efficiency of our transportation system for commuters, transit and freight. They offer solo drivers the option to pay a toll for access into the carpool lanes when there is excess capacity, thereby enhancing efficiency of the corridor, and qualified carpools continue to use the lanes for free,” says Alameda CTC Executive Director Tess Lengyel.

Toll requirements are as follows:

- Toll-free travel for vehicles with 2+ people with a FasTrak Flex® toll tag set in the 2 or 3+ persons position;
- Solo drivers of eligible CAVs pay half-price tolls with a FasTrak® CAV toll tag; and
- Vanpools, buses and motorcycles use the lanes for free.

Solo drivers in other vehicles can use the express lanes with FasTrak Flex® for a more reliable trip and pay full price. Tolling, lane access restrictions, and better enforcement improve traffic flow, keeping vehicles moving. This gives carpools and others who choose to use the lanes a more reliable trip than regular high-occupancy vehicle lanes.

You can get a FasTrak Flex® toll tag or a FasTrak® CAV toll tag the following ways:

- Order a tag online at: getfastrak.org
- Pick up a tag in person at a participating retailer. Find out more by visiting getfastrak.org's map of retailers. (This option is not available for CAV tags.)
- Order a tag by phone at 877-229-8655
- Visit the FasTrak Walk-in Center at 375 Beale Street, San Francisco (for a CAV tag, don't forget to bring your DMV issued Clean Air Decal Certificate)

Visit 511.org to learn more about the I-580, I-680 or other Bay Area Express Lanes.

About the Alameda County Transportation Commission

The Alameda County Transportation Commission (Alameda CTC) coordinates countywide transportation planning and delivers essential, voter-supported transportation improvements in every city throughout Alameda County. Funding sources for Alameda CTC's expenditure plans include Measure B, approved by 81.5 percent of County voters in 2000, and Measure BB, approved by more than 70 percent of voters in 2014. Visit [Alameda CTC's website](http://AlamedaCTC.org) to learn more, and follow Alameda CTC on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/AlamedaCTC) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/AlamedaCTC).