



I-580 and I-680 Express Lanes

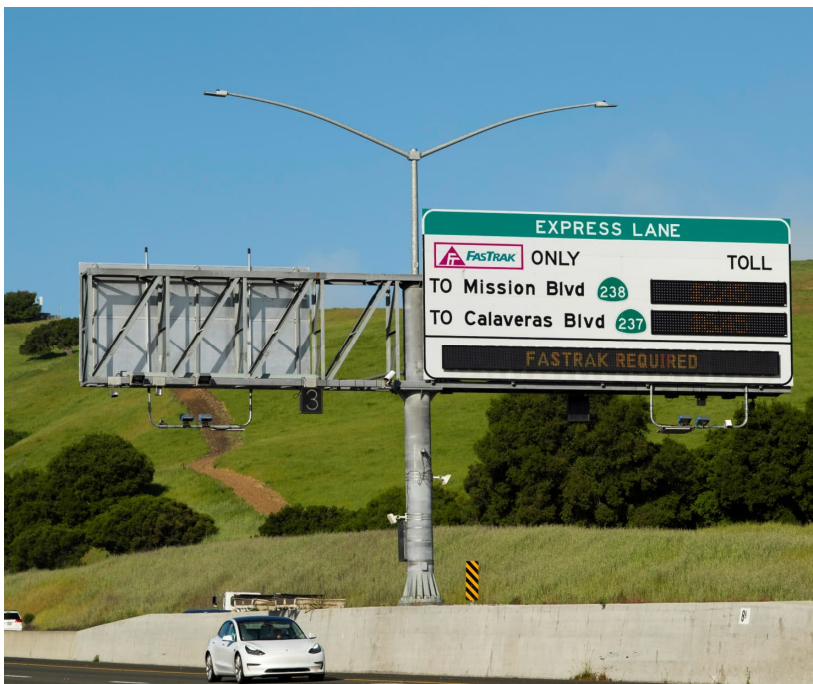
Express lanes use proven technology to increase the efficiency of our transportation system. Solo drivers are given the option to pay a toll for access into the express lanes when there is excess capacity, thereby reducing congestion. Eligible carpools, vanpools, and transit continue to receive toll-free access.

Alameda CTC's Express Lanes are part of the growing Bay Area Express Lanes Network, which will consist of 500 miles of express lanes throughout the region when completed. By 2026, Alameda CTC will be operating 60 miles of express lanes in Alameda County, representing over 25% of the express lanes in operation in the Bay Area.

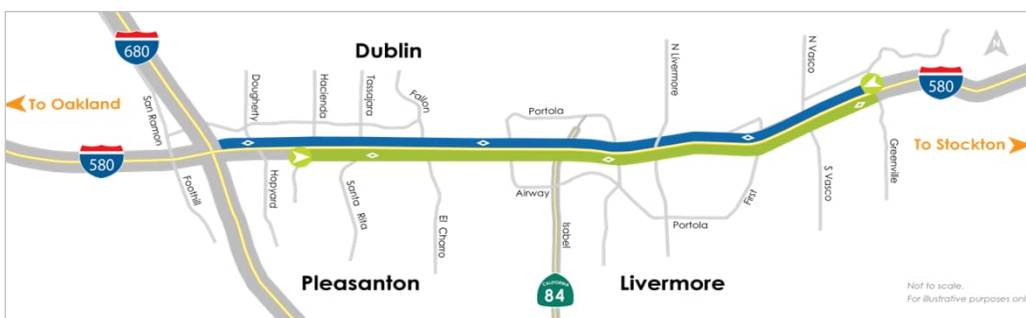
I-680 SUNOL EXPRESS LANES



- Southbound direction opened in 2010 as the first express lane in the Bay Area
- Northbound direction opened in 2023
- Serves commuters traveling to and from Silicon Valley



Express Lanes help travelers plan their trips and can add predictability



I-580 EXPRESS LANES



- Opened in February 2016
- 10-12 mile corridor in the Dublin/Pleasanton/Livermore Tri-Valley area of Alameda County
- Near-continuous access (first in California)

Express lanes build upon the investment made in the carpool system. Carpools, vanpools and transit vehicles are offered toll-free use of the express lanes. Tolls for solo drivers vary based on the level of congestion to make sure that express lanes maintain reliable operations. Tolling, lane access restrictions and better enforcement improve traffic flow, keeping vehicles moving. These tools allow express lanes offer a more reliable trip for carpoolers and those who choose to pay to use the express lanes.



I-580 tolling operates 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 on I-580 begins at Greenville Road and extends 12 miles to the west.



I-680 tolling operates 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.

RULES FOR BOTH CORRIDORS

- FasTrak Flex® toll tags are required
- Carpools travel toll-free with FasTrak Flex® toll tags
- Dashed road lines allow drivers to enter and exit express lanes more frequently

Benefits – a smart, reliable choice!

GREATER MOBILITY

Filling available capacity in the express lanes with vehicles that choose to pay maximizes the efficiency of the corridor for drivers in all lanes.

MORE RELIABLE TRAVEL TIMES

To keep traffic moving smoothly and to maintain reliable speeds in the express lanes, toll rates will vary based on real-time traffic conditions. This process is called dynamic pricing. As congestion increases in the express lanes, the toll increases (which discourages some solo drivers from choosing to enter the express lanes). As congestion subsides, the cost of the toll goes down (which encourages more solo drivers to enter the express lanes).

IMPROVED TRAFFIC CONDITIONS

Express lanes access restrictions strategically limit lane changes where bottlenecks occur to improve traffic.

HASSLE-FREE TOLLING

Express lanes tolls are collected electronically. When a vehicle passes under a toll reader, the toll is automatically deducted from the driver's FasTrak account.

EASY TO USE

During express lanes hour of operations from 5am to 8pm on weekdays, electronic signage displays the toll rates in effect to travel to local exits.

PROVIDING CHOICE

Eligible carpoolers continue to receive toll-free travel while solo drivers can choose to pay a toll to use the express lanes.

EXPANDING BENEFITS

Express lanes maximize the benefits of the carpool system by utilizing available capacity while maintaining reliable operations.

TRANSIT RELIABILITY

Express lanes help fill gaps in the carpool lane system to continue to encourage carpool, vanpool and transit modes. Offering reliable travel times enhances the attractiveness of public transit.

SELF SUFFICIENT

Toll revenues are used to pay for express lanes operations and maintenance. Remaining funds are to be reinvested to support transportation in the corridor.

A FasTrak® or FasTrak Flex toll tag is required for all express lanes users. Get yours at www.BayAreaFasTrak.org.

And visit Alameda CTC's Express Lanes web pages (<https://www.alamedactc.org/expresslanesops>) for additional information about all express lanes managed by Alameda CTC.