



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS LA PAZ ROAD CLOSURE

+ Why is a portion of La Paz Road closed?

A portion of La Paz Road has been closed due to significant earth movement observed under the road from Kings Rd to Rancho Niguel Rd. The City of Laguna Niguel, in response to public safety concerns, has taken the proactive step of closing the road to ensure the safety and well-being of residents.

+ Is there an immediate danger to the public?

No, there is no immediate danger to the public. The road closure is a precautionary measure taken by the City to address the recent earth movement and to ensure public safety.

+ How long will the closure last?

At this time, the two southbound lanes on La Paz Road, between Rancho Niguel Road and Kings Road, will remain closed indefinitely. In the coming months, the northbound lanes on La Paz Road will be reduced to one lane to allow traffic flow in both directions. The process for total repair of La Paz Rd is anticipated to last between 3-5 years in order to fully fund, design, and complete the repair project.

+ What measures are being taken to address the situation?

The City is coordinating with various agencies and geotechnical experts to develop a long-term repair plan for the affected area. The City is also applying for a FEMA grant to design and construct a permanent solution to La Paz Road.

+ When did the City declare a local emergency?

On May 5, 2023, the City proclaimed a local emergency in response to the additional earth movement on La Paz. The City has observed increasing signs of vertical displacement along the closed area.

+ Will the City seek financial assistance for the repairs?

The City is completing a FEMA grant application. The City estimates the repair work on La Paz Road to be a very costly project, approximately \$15 million. By securing grant funding, the City will address the issue, while minimizing the impact to local taxpayers.



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