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SALINAS RIVER BRIDGE IN SOLEDAD IS STABLE AND WILL REMAIN OPEN DURING CURRENT HIGH FLOW EVENT

MONTEREY COUNTY – In response to inquiries from community members, Caltrans would like to reassure the public that the bridge across the Salinas River on US 101 in Soledad is stable and the roadway will remain open even as levels of the river are forecast to rise.

When high flow events occur, Caltrans engineering and structural teams will continue to monitor this bridge as well as others along the Salinas River corridor. This monitoring effort is for data collection purposes and there is no threat to the Salinas River Bridge in Soledad at this time.

While there may be flooding of adjacent roadways, the bridge across the Salinas River on US 101 in Soledad is higher than the surrounding land and will remain open through this event.

In order to keep up to date about state highways that may be affected by weather conditions, the Caltrans' QuickMap mobile app and website provides travelers with continuous updates on lane and road closures, construction and maintenance activities, and emergency incidents: <https://quickmap.dot.ca.gov/>

Road information and updates can also be found on Caltrans District 5 Social Media platforms: Twitter at: @CaltransD5, Facebook at: Caltrans Central Coast (District 5) and Instagram at: Caltrans_D5.

**Our crews deserve to get home safely too.
Drive slowly and carefully in work zones.**

CHP Traffic Incident Information Page: <http://cad.chp.ca.gov>
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