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To: All EMS Ambulance Providers  
San Joaquin County EMS Agency

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From: Cheryl Heaney-Ordez, RN, MSN, CEN  
Emergency Department Director

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Subject: Ambulance Bay

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Copies to: Terry Spring, Vice President of Support Services

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memorandum

This memo is to inform you that St. Joseph's Medical Center will be trenching in the ambulance bay area, starting today, June 16, 2006. Please advise the ambulance crews transporting patients to, or from, St. Joseph's Medical Center to use caution when entering the ambulance bay. Metal plates will be placed over the trench as they progress.

On Monday, June 19, 2006, the North side of the ambulance bay (entrance) will be closed to ambulance traffic. We are asking that unless an ambulance is transporting a patient code 3, that the ambulance park on the street and unload the non-critical patients there, leaving the actual ambulance bay open for the critical patients. The code 3 ambulances will need to use the ambulance bay exit for both an entrance and an exit, until the trenching is complete.

We will block off parking along the sidewalk, just to the south of the ambulance exit area to allow crews to park and unload their patients. Once the trenching is complete, and the metal plates are in place, our ambulance bay will fully re-open. If you have any questions, you may contact the Emergency Department at (209) 467-6400.

Thank you.