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Press Release

Preliminary Award given for New Railroad Overpass On US54 north of Tularosa

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) has made a preliminary award of contract to La Calerita Construction, LLC out of Las Cruces for a new railroad overpass on US54 just north of the Village of Tularosa, replacing the existing bridge.

The project amount is \$4,607,172 and consists of the removal of the existing railroad overpass and the construction of a brand new construction overpass. The new bridge will be built at the location of the existing bridge and will have wider shoulders with concrete wall barrier. During construction, there will be a detour constructed on the south side of the bridge. The detour railroad crossing will be at grade with gates and flashers.

Work is expected to begin in late March/early April and will last approximately one year.

The project is the continuation of work along US54 between Tularosa and Carrizozo. One more roadway reconstruction project between Tularosa and Carrizozo is anticipated to be let out to bid this summer.

Motorists should expect some lane closures at the beginning of the project while the contractor constructs the detour. Please be considerate of construction workers, observe construction signing and obey the posted speed limit in the construction area.

For up-to-date road construction information throughout the state, visit nmroads.com or call 511.

Anyone with questions or comments regarding this project may contact Chuck Brill, NMDOT Tularosa Area Construction Project Manager, at (575) 585-2090.

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