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N.M. 599 and County Road Connector Interchange Project to Begin in Santa Fe County

Santa Fe – The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) announced today that construction of a new connector interchange project will begin this week in Santa Fe County. Work on this project will take place at N.M. 599 and County Road (CR) 62. The interchange work will begin on the week of April 2 and is expected to be completed in July 2013.

The \$6.5 million project will consist of a new diamond interchange, including new on/off ramps, cross road, roundabouts, curb and gutter, roadway lighting, landscaping, and other miscellaneous construction.

During the project the cross roads between the frontage roads to N.M. 599 and Count Road 62 will be closed to through traffic. The contractor will begin building the new on/off ramps. Once the ramps have been completed N.M. 599 traffic will be detoured onto the newly built ramps. The east and west frontage roads will remain open.

Travelers can expect minor delays between the hours 7:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. There will be a reduced speed in the work zone during construction and after construction hours, the speed limit will return to posted speeds.

Drivers are asked to watch for construction personnel working the area, observe temporary construction signing, and reduce speed to the posted speed limits.

NMDOT has worked closely with the public and the city of Santa Fe on the project design and planned detour. The new interchange will improve safety for the traveling public by providing an access controlled interchange.

Questions can be directed to Rosanne Rodriguez, Public Information Officer for the New Mexico Department of Transportation District Five, at (505) 476-4205.

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