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Traffic Report for week of September 14, 2014

White Sands Missile Range Notification

For information regarding closures you may call WSMR at 678-1178 or 678-2222 for updates.

- US 70 CLOSURE scheduled for Tuesday September 16, 2014 from 7:20 am until 8:20 am. The roadblock will be from Organ/San Augustine Pass (mile marker 162) to the entrance of White Sands Missile Range (mile marker 170). These closures are subject to change without notice, please contact WSMR for any questions.
- Traffic updates are posted on the NMDOT traffic advisory web-site at www.nmroads.com and can be retrieved through our automated system at 511 in New Mexico or 1-800-432-4269 from any line.

N. Main/US 70 Las Cruces

The NMDOT with G. Sandoval Construction have traffic control devices and concrete wall barriers along US 70 from Chestnut to just south of Solano Drive interchange. Motorists will encounter one lane restrictions for both east and westbound traffic, which is limited to 10 feet within the work zone. The contractor continues work along the median and on the inner lanes; speed limit is posted at 35 MPH.

Businesses along the corridor are **open**; please contact them for their hours of operation. Motorists may need to seek an alternate route, or make adjustments as their daily commute as travel time may increase due to heavy traffic on N. Main and other adjacent streets. Should an incident occur within the work zone and is not considered life threatening. Law enforcement is asking drivers to move their vehicles off onto a side road, or parking lot so that they can assess the situation in a controlled environment.

The City of Las Cruces will be making modifications to their bus route which can be found on their web at <http://www.las-cruces.org/Departments/Transportation/Services/RoadRUNNER%20Transit.aspx>

I-10/Mesquite & Vado Interchange

The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) District One office and El Terrero continue with construction of the I-10 overpass bridge at the Mesquite exit. The eastbound on and off ramps (mile marker 151) are **CLOSED**. The contractor is currently working on removing the exiting ramps and reconstructs the newly designed approaches that will tie into the Mesquite interchange. This closure is scheduled to be lifted by the end of business on

Monday October 20, 2014. This will not affect the westbound ramp at the Mesquite Bridge. Motorists will be advised of the I-10 eastbound lane closure along with the bridge overpass. The public is encouraged to seek an alternate route as the bridge will remain closed until full reconstruction of the Mesquite overpass is complete.

East and westbound traffic on I-10 is detoured onto the westbound lanes, where motorists encounter lane restrictions from mile marker 150 to 155 (Vado exit). Motorists are encouraged to reduce speed and to proceed with caution during peak hours. Should an incident occur within the restricted area in which the concrete wall barrier is located, and is considered non-life threatening, law enforcement is requesting that drivers move their vehicles over to a safe location so that they can assist and assess the situation.

I-10/Avenida de Mesilla and NM-28 Las Cruces, NM

The District One office for the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) with La Calerita Construction continues with construction at Avenida de Mesilla.

All ramps are open with north and southbound lanes on Avenida de Mesilla open with no restrictions.

I-10 traffic will continue with lane and width restrictions for motorists traveling west and eastbound. Please continue to proceed with caution.

I-25 Socorro & Sierra County

The NMDOT with Villalobos Construction continue with bridge rehabilitation work that cross over I-25. Currently the contractor is working at the San Marcial Bridge (exit 125 in Socorro County). Traffic will encounter lane and width restriction as they cross this work zone on I-25 between mile markers 126-124.

Northbound traffic will be detoured at the San Marical Bridge (exit 125) during the day as the contractor performs work on the interstate which will pose a safety issue for motorists. Traffic control will revert back on to the interstate during overnight hours.

The next scheduled bridge will be the I-25/exit 79 bridge in T or C (Sierra County). A Public Meeting will be held prior to work commencing on the I-25/exit 79 bridge for T or C. Each bridge will be **CLOSED** in segments as work is being conducted, along with traffic restrictions in place as work progresses.

I-25 Elephant Butte

The NMDOT and Mountain States Constructors continue with work along the west side of the southbound lanes of I-25. Motorists will be alerted of lane restrictions for north and southbound traffic between mile marker 88 to 92 with the lane width set at 13' 6".

Project is scheduled to be complete by June 2015. Reduce speed and proceed with extreme caution as you travel through this area.

I-25 North of Truth or Consequences

The NMDOT with Fisher Sand & Gravel will continue with their mill and inlay along a portion of I-25 between T or C and Socorro, NM. The contractor will have lane and speed restrictions posted within the work zone as they work throughout the weekend with their paving operations. Please use extreme caution as uneven paving surfaces may be present during the overnight hours.

US 70 Las Cruces, NM

The NMDOT with Smith and Aguirre Construction continue with median work from the I-25/US 70 Interchange to Rinconada Blvd (exit 152). The contractor has placed concrete barriers structures as a method safety device within the inner lane. Motorists will continue to have 2 lanes of open traffic for both directions. The project working hours will be Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. until 5 p.m. until completion of September of 2014.

NM 11 Deming

NMDOT with Brasier Construction will be placing a Nova Chip along NM 11 from Columbus (mile marker 4.7) working northbound to Deming (mile marker 27.7). The contractor will start Wednesday September 3rd at mile marker 4.7 and work northbound in 4 mile increments to cover both north and southbound lanes. The contractor will repeat this process daily until the project is complete by Sunday September 28th. Working hours will be 7:00 am until 6:00 pm daily until the project is complete.

NM 51 East of Truth or Consequences, NM

NMDOT along with Meridian will continue work on a portion of NM-51 to improve the drainage channel by Ash Canyon as rip-rap and guardrail is being installed. During working hours motorists may encounter minor delays, and are encouraged to adjust their schedule to accommodate their travels.

NM 549 Deming, NM

NMDOT is currently resurfacing a portion of NM 549 between mile markers 23 to 25 so this section of roadway is closed with should be lifted by the end of September 2014.

NM 185/Valley Drive – Las Cruces, NM

Smith and Aguirre Construction will start the week of September 15th by removing various sections and replacing them with new ADA improvement sidewalk improvements. The project should be completed in 5 working days with working hours from 7:00 am until 5:00 pm.

Las Cruces Projects – City of Las Cruces

Alameda Blvd

From Ethel Avenue to W. Chestnut Avenue will have shoulder work. Access to residents and businesses will be maintained. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

Elks Drive

From Hatfield Road to Moreno Road will have shoulder work. Access to residents will be maintained. Motorists wanting to get to residents and can do so by following the detours in place. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

El Paseo Road

From Montana Avenue to Farney Drive will have intermittent inside and outside lane closures. Access to businesses will be maintained. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

May Avenue

From Solano Drive to Del Monte will have shoulder work. Access to residents and businesses will be maintained. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

Pine Trail

From Pineneedle Way to Pineneedle Bend will have shoulder work and potential lane closures. Access to residents will be maintained. Motorists wanting to get to residents can do so by following the detours in place. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

Northrise Drive

From Roadrunner Parkway to Rinconada Boulevard will have a right lane closure. Access to residents will be maintained. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

Thurmond Road

From McGuffey Road to Sonoma Ranch Blvd will have shoulder work and potential lane closures. Access to residents will be maintained. Motorists wanting to get to residents can do so by following the detours in place. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

Water Street

From Court Avenue to Las Cruces Avenue will have shoulder work and potential lane closures. Access to residents and businesses will be maintained. Motorists wanting to get to residents and businesses can do so by following the detours in place. Motorists will be asked to decrease speed through the construction zone and should proceed with caution. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

Wyatt Street

From El Paseo Road to Arizona Avenue will be closed to through traffic. Access to residents and businesses will be maintained from adjacent streets. Motorists wanting to get to residents and businesses can do so by following the detours in place. Motorists using this road as a through route only should seek alternate routes if available.

PLEASE NOTE: Conditions are subject to change without notice. Double fines for speeding in work zones are in effect.

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