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Traffic Advisory

U.S. 285 / I-40 Interchange Night Closures Clines Corners

Clines Corners—The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) continues improvement work on the U.S. 285/ I-40 interchange at Clines Corners. The construction will lengthen and realign the westbound exit ramp, realign the westbound entrance ramp and lengthen the eastbound on and off ramps on I-40. The U.S. 285 Bridge over I-40 will be widened 24 feet to accommodate two lanes of traffic each way.

From Tuesday, November 11 through Thursday, November 13, the eastbound I-40 lanes will be **CLOSED** from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. The I-40 eastbound lanes are also scheduled to be **CLOSED** on Monday, November 11 through Tuesday, November 18 from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. I-40 traffic will be detoured through the ramps at the Clines Corners Interchange.

Starting on Wednesday, November 19 through Thursday November 20 the westbound I-40 lanes will be **CLOSED** from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. The I-40 Westbound lanes are also scheduled to be **CLOSED** on Monday, November 24 through Wednesday, November 26, from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. I-40 traffic will be detoured through the ramps at the Clines Corners Interchange.

The night closures are necessary to demolish the overhang on the existing bridge for the plan widening.

The Federal Highway Administration and NMDOT partnered to fund the improvements. The project cost \$9,858,988 and is scheduled for completion in June of 2015, weather permitting. Mountain States Constructors of Albuquerque is the contractor for this project.

Drivers are urged to proceed with caution through the work zone, observe traffic control signs and reduce speed to the posted limit. Updates on this project will be posted on the New Mexico Department of Transportation's road advisory website <u>www.nmroads.com</u>

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