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Bridgework Scheduled for weekend of July 15; Lane and ramp closures planned

Albuquerque, NM—The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) District Three and contractor, Truesdell Corp. will be continuing maintenance work this weekend on three separate bridges located near the Big I resulting in two ramp closures, one at I-40 westbound on-ramp at Carlisle Boulevard and the I-40 westbound to I-25 northbound ramp.

“Last weekend crews successfully completed one bridge located at I-40 westbound mainline, this weekend we will begin work on three bridges located successively along the I-40 westbound to I-25 northbound corridor,” said project manager Jeremy Maestas.

Motorists should expect lane and ramp closures in the following areas:

***July 15, at 9 p.m. to July 18 at 5 a.m. (Friday to Monday)**

Carlisle on-ramp to westbound I-40 closed.

I-40 westbound bridge over University Boulevard (leading to NB I-25 on ramp) various lanes closed.

I-40 westbound off-ramp to I-25 northbound on-ramp closed.

I-25 northbound over Menaul Boulevard various lanes closed.

As a separate project, NMDOT and Meridian Contracting, Inc. has scheduled bridge repair work as follows:

***July 15 at 10 p.m. to July 16 at 9 p.m. Unless crews complete work early**

I-40 eastbound over Central Ave. two lanes will be closed.

** Dates/times are subject to change pending weather conditions. No work will be permitted during regional celebrations.*

All bridgework is scheduled during weekends—off peak hours--throughout July and August, pending weather conditions. The epoxy overlay to be applied to the bridge surface is temperature sensitive and is heavily dependent on dry, stable conditions. Detours will be posted near the work zone and digital message boards will alert motorists of the closure. For project-related traffic updates visit www.nmroads.com.

NMDOT District Three located in Albuquerque, NM routinely inspects and maintains approximately 650 bridges located within the District boundaries that include Bernalillo, Valencia and a portion of Sandoval County. The department also maintains and preserves the surface transportation system to include 3,168 lane miles of highway of which 79% is in urban areas.

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