

April 6, 2011

I-70B Reconstruction Project Update for April 6th

Eastbound Through Lanes:

All of the excavation, grading and trimming is completed for the eastbound lanes. Crews will start pouring concrete today beginning at the west end of the project and moving east. They will first pour a 24-foot wide section (2 lanes) all the way to the east side of the project. This work will take about 4 working days and should be completed by Monday (4/11/11). They will then pour a 12-foot wide section (1 lane), starting on Wednesday (4/13/11) and finishing on Friday (4/15/11). This will complete the "main line" paving for the eastbound lanes. Hand work on curb, gutter and intersections will begin after the main line concrete has cured.

During the time that the eastbound lanes are under construction, two through lanes in each direction will be located on the north side of the highway. Although no left turn lanes will be provided, left turns off of Highway 6 & 50 (I-70B) will be allowed from the left through lane. Right turns will work the same way from the right through lane until the eastbound lanes are reopened.

Median Work:

No work on the median is anticipated for this week. Median work will resume once the eastbound lanes are in place and traffic is switched over to them.

North Frontage Road:

The lanes for this frontage road as well as the entrance to the frontage road west of Shiners have been poured and cured and are open to traffic.

South Frontage Road:

The new concrete lanes for the South Frontage road have been poured and are open for public use through the project area. Access to the South Frontage can be gained via 24 ½ Road. However, the access via 24 ¾ Road remains closed until this intersection is improved.

Sidewalks:

Grading for the sidewalks will take place through Friday of this week (4/8/11). Crews will pour the sidewalk sections along the northeast and northwest corner of 24 ¾ Road

intersection on Saturday (4/9/11) . Crews will then pour the sidewalk on the northwest portion of the project (Mesa Mall) on Tuesday (4/12/11).

Landscaping:

This week landscape crews will begin working on the north side of the project in the Shiners/Big O Tire area and along the Mesa Mall entrances. There is 45 days worth of landscaping work to do on the project, so the landscaping crews will have an on-going presence on the project beginning this week. Phone line for the irrigation system will also be placed along the north curb-line of the south frontage road this week.

Electric crews will be working on street lighting and crosswalk lighting throughout the project area. They will also be placing the permanent traffic signals at the Mesa Mall Entrance (McDonalds, Centennial RV) throughout this week and completing this signal work on Monday (4/11/11).

SPECIAL NOTICE:

Irrigation season is rapidly approaching. As a part of the highway work, some irrigation lines in the CDOT right-of-way have been damaged. If you own or lease property with frontage along I-70B, please contact me before you turn on your sprinkler system. A representative from the project would like to be with you when the water goes on so that any damage to your system can be assessed. So, please call me at 773-3457 when you are turning your irrigation system on and I will get a project representative to your property immediately. – THANK YOU!

That's the update for this week. Remember that the schedule described above is dependent on favorable conditions and could be delayed if the weather turns bad.