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### Interstate construction ready to blossom for the season

(Council Bluffs, IA – March 17, 2017) – As we usher in spring next week, the construction season will also bloom and blossom quickly. Interstate construction crews have steadily worked over the winter months to ramp up for spring and with the warmer weather approaching, residents and travelers through Council Bluffs will see that happen.

A few early traffic impacts due to construction will begin next week:

- The I-80 westbound exit at IA 192/South Expressway (Exit 3), and right lane of I-80 westbound between the I-80/I-29 interchange (Exit 4) and IA 192/South Expressway (Exit 3), will be closed each night from Monday through Thursday (3/20-3/24) from 10:00 pm. to 5:00 a.m.
- The right lane of I-80 westbound will be closed Monday night (3/20) between the I-80/I-29 interchange (Exit 1) and the Missouri River Bridge for pavement restriping, from 11:00 p.m. until 5:00 a.m. On the same evening, from 12:00 a.m. to 4:00 a.m., the I-29 southbound to I-80 westbound ramp (Exit 51) will be closed.
- I-80 eastbound at the I-80/I-29 interchange (Exit 4) will be closed Wednesday and Thursday nights (3/22-3/24) from 11:00 p.m. to 6:00 a.m.
- IA 192/South Expressway will be closed, between the westbound I-80 ramp and 30th Avenue, each night from Monday through Thursday (3/27-3/30) from 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.

“More details about the 2017 interstate construction activities will be discussed with the public at an open house meeting in April; details will be announced soon. The Iowa DOT anticipates that ongoing work will most impact people traveling on the interstate and local businesses in the area,” said Scott Schram, Iowa DOT District 4 engineer.

Iowa DOT is in the process of reconstructing I-80, I-29 and I-480 in the Council Bluffs metropolitan area. This comprehensive interstate redesign will modernize the highway system and improve mobility and safety of approximately 18 miles of interstate. Motorists are encouraged to allow for extra travel time while this interstate improvement takes effect. If you would like more information about detours and traffic impacts visit the program website, [www.CouncilBluffsInterstate.IowaDOT.gov](http://www.CouncilBluffsInterstate.IowaDOT.gov).

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