



PRESS RELEASE

Public meeting planned in advance of summer construction season for Council Bluffs Interstate System

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa.— March 10, 2016 - The Iowa Department of Transportation will hold a public open house meeting on Thursday, March 24th, to discuss the 2016 summer construction on interstates 29 and 80, and U.S. 275.

“The public information meeting will inform you about what to expect during the upcoming construction season. The Iowa DOT anticipates that ongoing work will impact people traveling on the interstate and businesses at interchanges that are under construction,” said Troy Jerman, Iowa DOT District 4 engineer. “The public information meeting will tell you what you can expect in 2016.”

All interested persons are invited to attend this meeting anytime between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. at the Council Bluffs Interstate System Improvement Program’s office located at the Mall of the Bluffs, 1751 Madison Ave., Suite 750, in Council Bluffs. Two short presentations are planned for 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.; the public is invited to attend either presentation. Iowa DOT staff will be present to informally discuss future projects and the project schedule.

An overview of 2016 construction projects will be presented, including:

- » I-29 and U.S. 275/Iowa 92 interchange
- » East System Interchange of I-80/I-29
- » West System Interchange of I-80/I-29
- » Consolidating railroad operations west of Mosquito Creek under I-29 and Iowa 92

Staff will also give an update on the ongoing environmental study and discuss the Preliminary Design Alternatives for the I-29/I-480/West Broadway project.

Construction during the 2016 season is part of the Iowa DOT’s Council Bluffs Interstate System Improvement Program, a streamlined approach to planned construction projects on I-80, I-29, and I-480 in the Council Bluffs/Omaha metropolitan area. The program is the single largest project in the Iowa DOT’s fiscal year 2016-2020 Iowa Transportation Improvement Program.

The meeting space is accessible for persons with disabilities. However, if you require special accommodations at the meeting, please notify the Iowa DOT contact listed below by March 17th.

For those who cannot attend the open house, a virtual, online meeting will be available beginning March 24th and can be accessed by visiting the project website, www.CouncilBluffsInterstate.IowaDOT.gov, and clicking on the online meeting link on the home page.

For general information regarding the proposed improvements or public meeting, contact Scott Suhr, district transportation planner, Iowa DOT District 4 Office, 2210 E. Seventh St., Atlantic, Iowa 50022, phone 712-243-3355 or 800-289-4368, email Scott.Suhr@dot.iowa.gov.



Visit the Iowa DOT's project-related public involvement event website at www.iowadot.gov/pim for information about scheduled public meetings and hearings, and opportunities to offer input to the Iowa DOT during the development of certain projects.

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