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Traffic shift in Council Bluffs planned for this week

(Council Bluffs, IA – October 16, 2017) – On Wednesday, October 18, construction crews will close the I-80 westbound/I-29 northbound exit to South Expressway (Exit 3) at 6 a.m. for two days to complete final construction activities in the area. On Wednesday and Thursday evening, the on-ramp at South Expressway to I-80 westbound/I-29 northbound will be closed at 9 p.m. and re-opened prior to the morning commute. By Friday morning, Bluffs drivers will be driving on the newly constructed I-80 westbound lanes and using the new I-80/I-29 interchange. The Madison Avenue on-ramp that was closed at the beginning of the month will reopen and ramps at South Expressway will be open.

Drivers should note that I-29 northbound traffic destined for South Expressway (Exit 3) will not be able to access the exit until detour pavement is constructed. They should use the U.S. 275 detour until April 2018.

The new roadway design features a right-hand exit from I-80 westbound to I-29 southbound (Exit 4) utilizing the new flyover bridge, changing the existing left-hand exit that drivers use today. The South Expressway exit (Exit 3) will also be shifted east of the location it is currently at.

The Iowa DOT encourages motorists to use caution while becoming accustomed to the traffic shift.

Iowa DOT is in the process of reconstructing I-80, I-29 and I-480 in the Council Bluffs metropolitan area as part of the Council Bluffs Interstate Improvement Program. This comprehensive interstate redesign, will modernize the highway system and improve mobility and safety of approximately 18 miles of interstate.

Iowa DOT is working hard to keep the public informed of construction impacts and will actively seek opportunities to update the public regarding the project. For more information about the projects or to sign up for alerts, visit the program website at www.CouncilBluffsInterstate.IowaDOT.gov. You can also contact the program office at 712-216-3339 or info@CouncilBluffsInterstate.com.

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