

# **Weekly Construction Update April 15-22**

## **SPEED LIMIT REDUCED TO 45 MPH NIGHT RAMP CLOSURE April 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> FIRST DAYTIME CLOSURE PUSHED BACK SIX DAYS**

Starting at 5 p.m. on Friday, April 15, the speed limit through the I-105 construction zone is being reduced to 45 miles per hour for 55 miles per hour. Motorists are reminded to drive cautiously and that fines are double in construction zones. The speed limit change will continue until the major freeway work is completed around the end of June.

Also, ODOT's contractor on the I-105 project will close the eastbound I-105 off-ramp to I-5 southbound on-ramp (Roseburg Exit) on Wednesday and Thursday (April 20 and April 21) evenings from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. to place continuously reinforced concrete pavement on the ramp from I-105 east to I-5 south. The detour route will use the Pioneer Parkway Interchange to loop back onto I-105 westbound where travelers can use the Roseburg Exit to I-5 southbound.

Elsewhere on the project, roadway embankment construction continues Sunday night through Thursday night on both sides of I-105 between Coburg Road Interchange and Pioneer Parkway Interchange. Trucks hauling the excavation and embankment material will be traveling on both Coburg Road and Pioneer Parkway to access I-105. The contractor will also continue work on bridge rail retrofit on several bridges. Additionally, the contractor will be installing foundations for cantilever signs and sign bridges on both sides of I-105 within the project limits. Expect one-lane closures on I-105 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. between the Pioneer Parkway Interchange and the Delta Highway interchange in both directions. No lane closures are anticipated for daytime work. Motorists should watch for lane closure signs and traffic control barrels.

I-105 construction work that will include major traffic impacts is expected to be pushed back six days to begin May 13<sup>th</sup>. Major closures continue to be scheduled for 66 days

and nights. During the first 8-day closure, the contractor will remove the Portland cement concrete that was built in 1967 and replace it with 12 inches of asphalt. Beginning May 13<sup>th</sup>, the west bound lane of I-105 will be closed for construction over the I-5 interchange, with only east bound traffic allowed; then alternating to the opposite side and closing the east bound lane for about 8 days for construction with west bound traffic allowed while working over the I-5 interchange.

Tentatively scheduled for late-May, the section of I-105 over the Coburg Road interchange will also experience closures for 12 days in each direction where west bound traffic will be forced to use the Coburg Rd. ramp; east bound traffic will be restricted to a single lane for 12 days.

The fifth and final full closure area will be at the Delta Highway interchange for three days, which is tentatively scheduled for the weekend beginning June 24-26, 2005. The exact dates for the closures have not been scheduled yet by the contractor.

The project also includes a number of other highway enhancements and safety improvements including major upgrades to the guardrail, bridge rail, shoulder barrier and median barrier, bringing them up to current standards.

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