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I-70 Project in Dickinson County Update

As of Wednesday, July 17, 2013, eastbound traffic on I-70 beginning at mile marker 281 (the I-70/K-43 Interchange) then east to mile marker 283, is scheduled to be transferred to the westbound passing lane creating head to head traffic. This will allow for the removal of the eastbound interchange bridge in anticipation of a new bridge being built.

Once traffic has been shifted, work will continue on the crossovers in preparation for switching to head to head traffic through the remainder of the project from mile marker 283 to mile marker 281 (I-70/K-43 Interchange). This is anticipated to occur Monday, August 5th. This will permit the east bound lanes of I-70 to be milled and overlaid with 3.5” of concrete and will include multiple bridge modifications. Traffic will return to normal operations by mid-November prior to a winter shutdown.

Next spring all traffic will be moved onto the improved eastbound lanes while the westbound lanes are completed. Plans call for all construction to be completed on or about November 1, 2014 weather permitting. Drivers should be prepared for changes in traffic control throughout construction.

The purpose of the project is to extend the life of the highway and associated bridges while improving ride quality.

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