



TRAFFIC ADVISORY

I-5 lane closure this weekend for drilling work

Right lane closure will be required during daytime work hours April 12, 13

An Oregon Department of Transportation geo/hydro engineering crew plans to perform exploratory drilling on Interstate 5 at the northbound Iowa Street viaduct this weekend. **The drilling will require the closure of the right lane and shoulder on northbound I-5 at the viaduct on Saturday, April 12, 6 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Sunday, April 13, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.**

The work will take place on I-5 between mile post 298 and 298.7. The Iowa Street viaduct is approximately ½-mile north of the Terwilliger curves and about 1 mile south of the Macadam Avenue off-ramp. No I-5 on- or off-ramps will be closed during the project.

Project background

ODOT is beginning preliminary design work on a project to replace the I-5 viaduct structures that cross over a ravine that leads to SW Iowa Street. The decks of the current structures have deteriorated and are in need of repair and in some places replacement. The bridge columns and superstructure does not meet current roadway or seismic standards. The project is anticipated to begin in spring of 2010 and will take two years to build.

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