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Southbound I-5 ramps at Winchester interchange scheduled to close for one month

ROSEBURG – The southbound Interstate 5 ramps at exit 129 (Winchester/Del Rio Road) are scheduled to close for approximately one month, starting Monday, June 13.

Motorists are advised to look for roadside message boards and take alternate routes.

The ramp closures are the first step in a 16-month project that will replace the Del Rio Road bridge over I-5 on a new alignment 1,300 feet north of its current location.

The new bridge will be located on top of the current southbound off-ramp. During the closure, contractors for ODOT will shorten the ramps so they can begin construction on the bridge.

The northbound off- and on-ramps at exit 129 will remain open. However, motorists should expect weekday lane closures and delays on Del Rio Road and Highway 99 over the next several months. Flaggers will provide traffic control as needed.

In addition to replacing the bridge, the \$22 million *I-5: Del Rio Road/Winchester Interchange* project will improve safety and traffic flow by realigning Del Rio Road, installing two traffic signals on Highway 99 and shifting all four I-5 ramps north to provide more acceleration and deceleration space for cars entering and exiting the freeway.

ODOT will provide advance notice to the local media prior to any traffic impacts. Anyone interested in receiving notification of these impacts directly from ODOT is encouraged to send an email to Dan.Latham@odot.state.or.us.

For more information, contact Dan Latham at (541) 957-3601 or visit the project website at www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION3/delrio.shtml.

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