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## TRAFFIC ADVISORY

### Reminder: drilling closes lanes on I-5

*Daytime right lane closure required for the next 2 weekends*

A contractor for the Oregon Department of Transportation will continue exploratory drilling on Interstate 5 near the northbound Iowa Street viaduct this weekend May 2-3. This is the second of three consecutive weekends in which the drilling operation on I-5 will take place. The exploratory drilling is required for the Iowa Street viaduct replacement project.

- **The weekend work will require the closure of the right lane and shoulder on I-5 north near the viaduct from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday and Sunday**
- **The project also will require the same right lane and shoulder closure on I-5 north during the weekend of May 9-10. Closure times will be the same next weekend. All ramps will remain open during this work**

During the lane closure, motorists are encouraged to use an alternate route if possible. The drilling operation will take place on I-5 northbound between mile post 298.4 and 297.8. The Iowa Street viaduct is approximately ½-mile north of the Terwilliger curves and about 1-mile south of the Macadam Avenue off-ramp (exit 299).

#### Project background

ODOT is performing design work to replace the I-5 viaduct structures that cross over a ravine that leads to SW Iowa Street. The decks on the current structures have deteriorated and are in need of replacement. The project is anticipated to begin in the Spring of 2010 and will take up to three years to complete.

For more information: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/HWY/REGION1/iowaviaduct/>

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