Legal Notice

Notice of Rule-Making Hearing Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents

The Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents (Board) will hold a Public Hearing concerning amended <u>PROCEDURES FOR CONTESTED CASES</u> <u>REGULATIONS</u>, August 5, 2004, 11:00 a.m. – 12:15 p.m., Nebraska Department of Roads Central Headquarters Bldg. (Auditorium), 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln.

The revision entails replacing the Board's existing Contested Cases regulations with new regulations based on the Attorney General's Model Rule, 53 NAC 4. Existing Regulations 425 NAC 1 §002 are proposed for repeal. New Regulations 425 NAC 1 §002 are proposed for adoption.

This revision was initiated in part to support the Board's proposed new Licensing Regulations, 425 NAC 2. There is no fiscal impact.

Comments and recommendations may be presented orally or in writing at the Hearing, or mailed, faxed, or e-mailed to the Board, c/o NDOR, prior to the Hearing, or by August 16, 2004. Pre- and post-hearing comments should be directed to Kevin Dugan, Public Hearings Officer, Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759, FAX (402) 479-3989, e-mail kdugan@dor.state.ne.us.

Obtain a free copy of the proposed Rules and Regulations revisions and the Fiscal Impact Statement by writing to: Board of Examiners, c/o Government Affairs Division, Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759, FAX (402) 479-3636. You may also call (402) 479-4607; TDD# (402) 479-3834; or e-mail emartens@dor.state.ne.us. To view a copy over the Internet, go to the NDOR website: www.nebraskatransportation.org and click on "news and upcoming events," or go to the Secretary of State's website: www.sos.state.ne.us/local/regstrack (there may be a few days' delay for website posting). To pick up a copy in person: 1400 Highway 2, Government Affairs Division Office.

This notice is provided pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

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July 8, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Information Open House July 22 for Hwy. 50 Improvements Near Weeping Water

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a Pre-Appraisal Information Open House on Thursday, July 22, regarding improvements to Nebraska Highway 50 near Weeping Water. The open house will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m., at the PCS Administration Building, East Garfield Street, in Weeping Water.

The proposed project in Cass County begins at the intersection of Nebraska 50 and U.S. Highway 34. The project ends seven miles north at the intersection of Nebraska 50 and Nebraska Highway 1.

Construction will include replacing the existing eight-foot-wide surfaced shoulders and resurfacing the two-lane highway, replacing the bridge over Weeping Water Creek, extending or replacing culverts, roadside grading, adding truck climbing lanes, adding roadway lighting at the highway intersections, and adding lighting and a left-turn lane at the Weeping Water Spur 13K intersection with Nebraska 50.

Construction will be done under traffic. Temporary roadways around work zones, including the bridge replacement, will be used during some phases of construction.

Private property must be acquired for highway right-of-way along the project. Temporary easements for construction may also be acquired.

Construction will impact wetland areas and mitigation will be required. Replacement wetlands for about 2/3 acre will be established along the project or at the Waverly Bank Site located in Section 25 T11N-R8E in Lancaster County.

Personnel from the Department of Roads will be available to visit one-on-one about the project. Displays will be available for public inspection, and NDOR personnel will receive comments and questions. No formal presentation is planned.

Preliminary plans developed by the Nebraska Department of Roads are available for public inspection at the NDOR District 1 Office, 302 Superior Street, in Lincoln, and at NDOR Central Headquarters, 1500 Highway 2, in Lincoln.

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For additional information contact:

Lonnie Huebert, Roadway Design Division in Lincoln, (402) 479-3934. S-50-2(1020)

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July 9, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Roads Standards Board to Meet

The Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards will meet at 9:00 a.m. on July 16, 2004, in the Nebraska Department of Roads' Central Building Auditorium at 1500 Highway 2 in Lincoln.

The agenda includes:

- Addition of projects to the Boone, Colfax, Gage, Pierce and Saunders Counties and the Villages of Pickrell, Stockville and Table Rock One- and Six-Year Road and Street Improvement Plans.
- Informal hearings: 9:30 a.m. for the City of Alliance's request for a Relaxation of Minimum Design Standards on Project STPAA-6255(2); 9:40 a.m. for Saunders County's request for a Relaxation of Standards for construction on a Minimum Maintenance Road.

The meeting is open to the public.

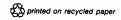
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Detailed agenda as of July 9, 2004 enclosed

For additional information contact:

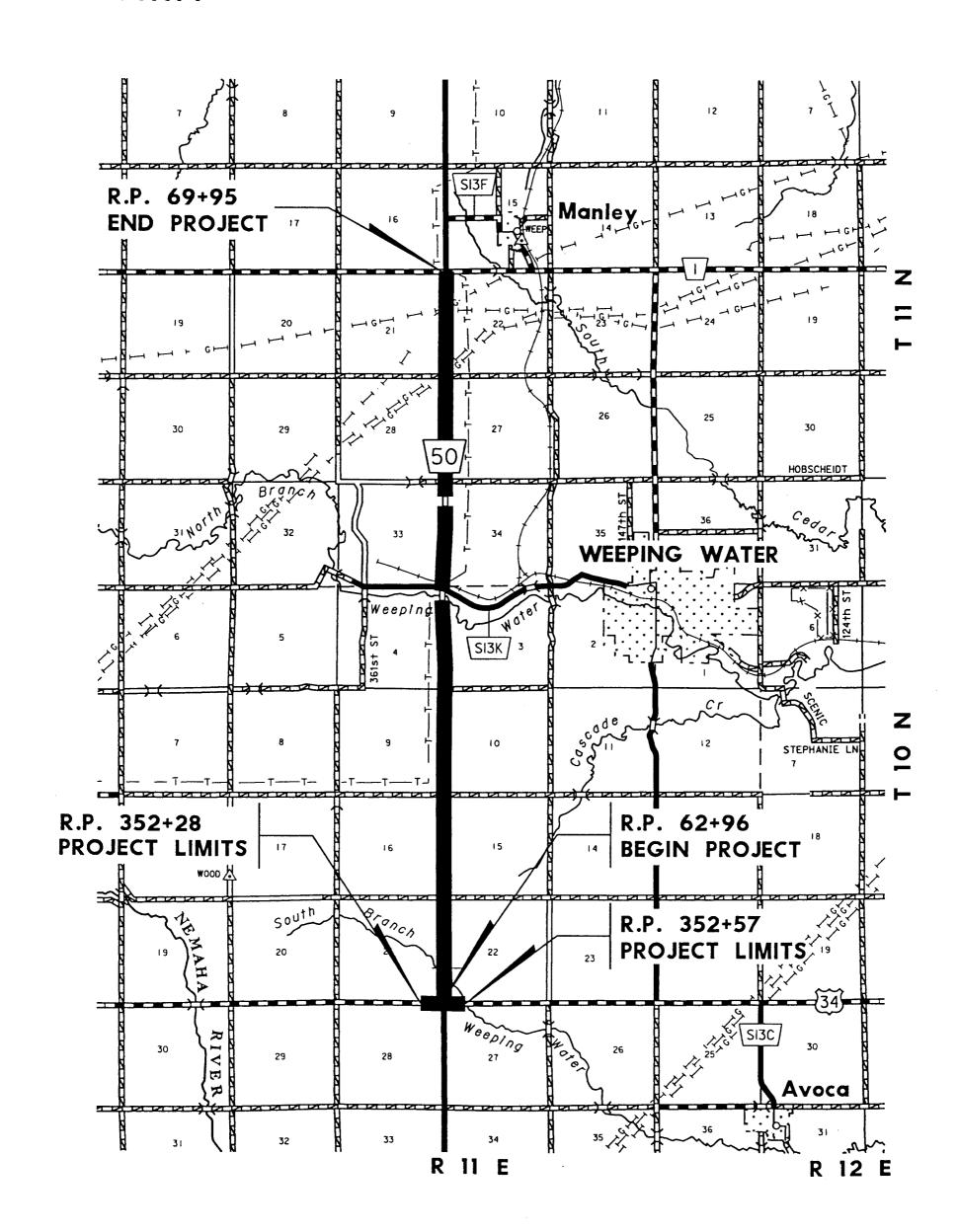
LeMoyne D. Schulz (402) 479-4436.

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WEEPING WATER NORTH & SOUTH 50-2(1020)

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Agenda

for the Meeting of

Board of Public Roads Classifications and Standards July 16, 2004, 9:00 a.m.

Nebraska Department of Roads Central Headquarters Building Auditorium 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska

Call to Order - Chairman

Roll Call - Secretary

Changes to Published Agenda - Secretary

Minutes of the June 18, 2004, meeting

Status Report – 2003-2004 Standardized System of Annual Reports (NDOR, 93 County and 530 Municipal reports received, 1 Municipal report is delinquent)

- Update on the suspension of Highway Allocation Funds to the following Municipality for failure to submit the 2003-2004 Standardized System of Annual Reports in accordance with Neb.Rev.Stat. Sec. 39-2120 and 39-2121
 - Osmond (Suspension initiated with the 4/9/04 allocation distribution)
- Consideration of lifting of suspension (none as of 7/9/04)

Status Report – 2004 One- and Six-Year Highway, Road, and Street Plan Submittals (NDOR, 93 County and 531 Municipal plans received)

2003 One- and Six-Year Highway, Road, and Street Plan Revisions (number of projects in parentheses):

A. City of Weeping Water (1) – grading and millings on an existing gravel street. (carried over)

2004 One- and Six-Year Highway, Road, and Street Plan Revisions (number of projects in parentheses):

- A. Otoe County (1) repair and armor coat surfacing of an existing asphalt road. *(carried over)*
- B. Village of Prosser (1) grading and aggregate surfacing of a new street. (carried over)
- C. Village of Pickrell (1) Overlay an existing asphalt street with asphalt.
- D. Village of Table Rock (3) grading and concrete surfacing with curb and gutter on existing gravel streets.
- E. Colfax County (3) concrete surfacing, drainage structures, ROW, utility adjustments and lighting on a new road. Replace a bridge with a culvert and a bridge with a bridge.
- F. Gage County (1) grading, aggregate surfacing and drainage structures on an existing gravel road.
- G. Village of Stockville (1) armor coat surfacing of existing asphalt streets.
- H. Pierce County (1) replace a bridge with a bridge.
- I. Boone County (1) replace a culvert with a culvert.
- J. Saunders County (1) (see relaxation of standards below).

State Aid Bridge Fund Applications (none).

9:30 a.m. Informal Hearing – City of Alliance request for a Relaxation of Minimum Design Standards for a reduction in Fixed Obstacle Clearance on Project No. STPAA-6255(2), CN 51262, Emerson Avenue – 10th Street to 18th Street, City Project No. M-108(168).

9:40 a.m. Informal Hearing – Saunders County request for Relaxation of Standards for replacement of a culvert with a low water crossing on a Minimum Maintenance Road, Project C-78(578). Consideration of request and addition of the project to the One-Year Plan.

Other Business:

 Update on LB 500 Implementation (Class A Superintendent's License & Higher Incentive Payment) by Board of Examiners for County Highway and City Street Superintendents and by NDOR

Correspondence and General Information:

- Select Annual Outstate Meeting location
- Miscellaneous correspondence

Acknowledgement of visitors

Next meeting September 17, 2004, 9:00 a.m., Nebraska Department of Roads, Central Headquarters Building Auditorium, 1500 Highway 2, Lincoln, Nebraska

Adjournment

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July 13, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Nebraska Surface Transportation Program Plans Announced for Fiscal Year 2005 and Beyond

Nebraska Department of Roads' Director John Craig announced today the fiscal year 2005 Surface Transportation Program. This publication reflects how the Department allocates the taxpayer's highway user dollars to provide the best statewide surface transportation system possible for all Nebraskans and the traveling public.

The 2005 Surface Transportation Program is published at \$640 million. The state highway program totals \$380 million and is funded from state and federal highway user fees. The local system program for city streets and county roads and bridges totals \$260 million and is also funded by state, federal and local highway user fees.

A total of 109 new projects will be let to contract on the state highway system during fiscal year 2005 (July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005). Projects will range in size from small lighting, guardrail, pavement marking, minor concrete repair and joint repair projects located throughout the state to large projects such as major 6-lane interstate expansion projects and continued progress on the expressway system including the York Bypass on Highway US-81, Scottsbluff to Gering Bypass on Highway N-71, West Dodge Road in Omaha, K & L Interchange in Lincoln and Hooper East and West on Highway US-275.

Ever concerned with the safety of the driving public, the Department of Roads asks motorists to drive safely, with caution, while obeying the traffic laws and always wearing the seat belt.

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The complete Surface Transportation Program is available on the Department of Roads' website at www.dor.state.ne.us. If media wish to receive a hard copy, please contact the Communication Office at (402) 479-4512.

Notice of Pre-Appraisal Open House Hershey South July 28, 2004 4:00-6:00 p.m.

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting regarding reconstruction of the Interstate 80 interchange south of Hershey. The meeting for Project S-80-3(1039), known as "Hershey South," will be held on July 28, 2004, 4:00-6:00 p.m. at the Senior Center, 326 N. Lincoln Avenue, Hershey, Nebraska.

NEBRASKA DEPARTMENT OF ROADS NOTICE OF PRE-APPRAISAL MEETING

Date: July 28, 2004
Time: 4 – 6 p.m.
Place: Senior Center

326 N. Lincoln Ave. Hershey, Nebraska

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold a public information meeting regarding reconstruction of the Interstate 80 interchange south of Hershey.

Personnel from the department will be available to visit one-on-one about the proposed project. Displays will be available for public inspection. NDOR staff will receive comments and questions. No formal presentation is planned.

The proposed project in Lincoln County, identified as S-80-3(1039) and known as *Hershey South*, will be constructed under traffic.

The Link 56C bridge over I-80 will be reconstructed on new alignment just west of the existing structure, which will be removed. Both ends of the new bridge will feature left-turn lanes for traffic entering I-80.

During girder placement for the new bridge over the interstate, traffic on I-80 must be detoured to U.S. Highway 30. Such work typically is done at night.

The I-80 entrance and exit ramps will be reconstructed and lengthened as part of the project. Temporary roads will be used to maintain traffic on the ramps during construction.

Additional property must be acquired for highway right-of-way at the interchange. Temporary easements for construction may be required at the interchange.

Preliminary plans developed by the Nebraska Department of Roads will be available for public inspection at the District 6 Office, 1321 North Jeffers St. in North Platte, and at the Roadway Design Division, 1500 Hwy 2, in Lincoln.

Where possible, the Department of Roads will provide an accessible meeting facility for disabled people. Appropriate provisions for people who are hearing and visually challenged will be made if the department is notified by July 14, 2004. Notification should be submitted to: Kevin Dugan, Department of Roads, P.O. Box 94759, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509-4759, voice telephone (402) 479-4871. TDD telephone is (402) 479-3834.

For further information regarding the proposed project, contact Lonnie Huebert in the Roadway Design Division at (402) 479-3934.



Nebraska Department of Roads

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July 14, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Information Open House July 28 for I-80 Interchange Improvements Near Hershey

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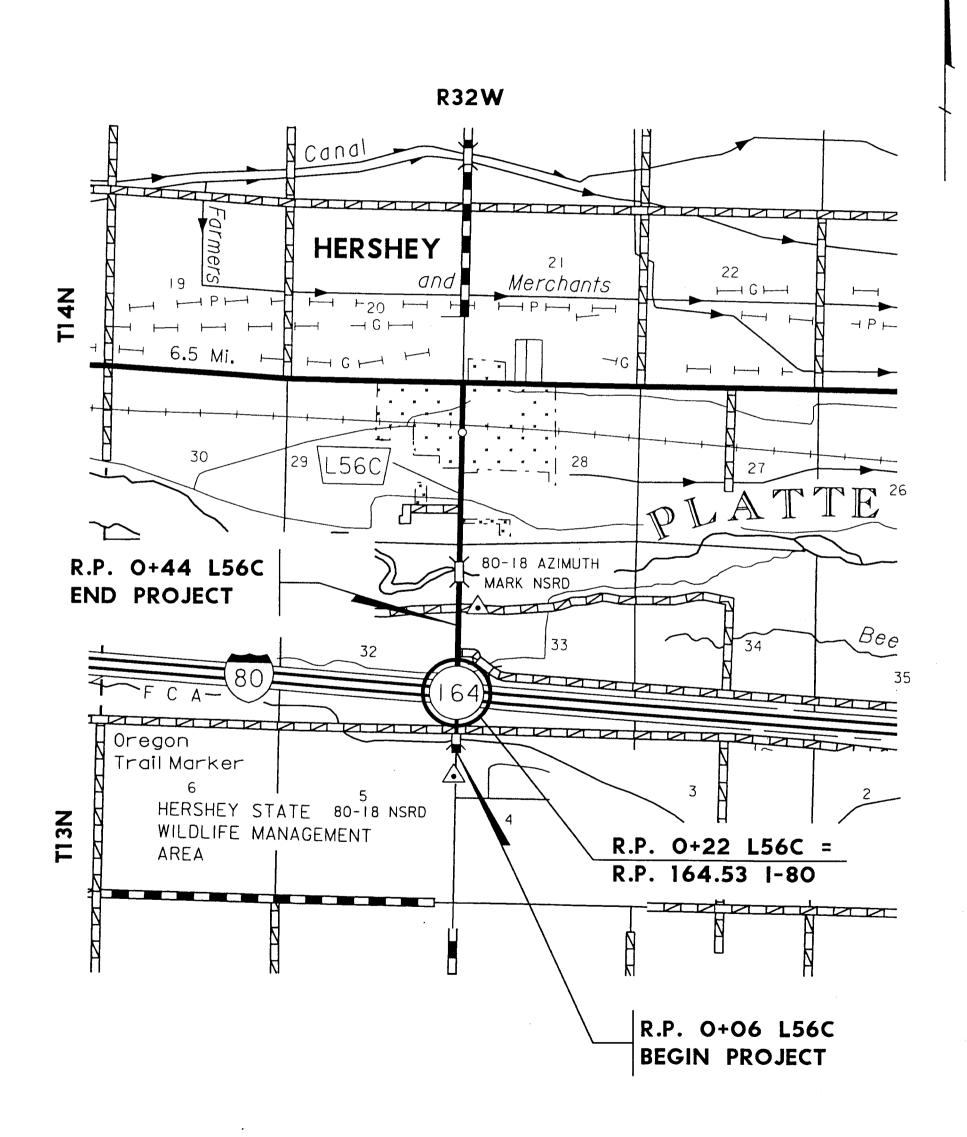
For additional information contact:

Lonnie Huebert, Roadway Design Division in Lincoln, (402) 479-3934.

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HERSHEY SOUTH INTERCHANGE S-80-3 (1039)

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June 16, 2004

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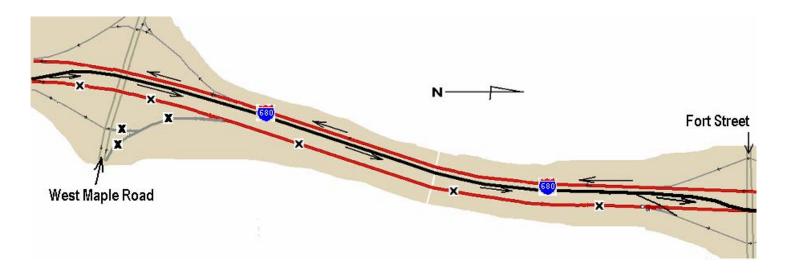
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Thursday, June 17, 2004 @ 10:00PM Until Fall 2004

Northbound Interstate 680 will be shifted to the Southbound Lanes from West Maple Road to Fort Street.

Northbound & Southbound Interstate 680 will be separated by Temporary Concrete Barriers.

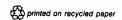
Westbound & Eastbound West Maple Road Entrance Ramps to Northbound Interstate 680 will be Closed.



This Traffic Shift is necessary for the Construction of the Northbound Lanes of I-680.

Chas Vrana Construction Company is the Contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:







District 1 Headquarters 302 Superior St. Lincoln, NE 68509-4759 Phone (402)471-0850 FAX (402)471-3401

June 17, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

I-180 and I-80 Temporary Ramp Closures Needed for Resurfacing Work

Construction work on I-180 and I-80 interchange ramps, north of Lincoln, is scheduled to begin Monday, June 21, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads. The construction work will include milling, resurfacing and guardrail on eight ramps and four loops at the interchanges at I-180 and Superior Street and at I-180 and I-80.

Daily closures of ramps and loops will be needed; however, only one ramp will be closed each day for construction. Information regarding ramp closure schedules will be posted on the NDOR website at www.dor.state.ne.us. Local traffic will be directed, by changeable message signs, to follow temporary detours, during the ramp closures.

Pavers Companies of Lincoln, Nebraska, has the contract for the resurfacing project, which is scheduled to be completed in mid-August. NDOR Project Manager for this project is Dewaine Knutson of Lincoln. Motorists are urged to drive safely near highway construction sites.

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For additional information contact:

District 1 Construction Engineer Mike Sklenar in Lincoln, 471-0850, Ext. 1069 or Dewaine Knutson, 471-0850, Ext. 1082.



District 4 Headquarters 211 North Tilden Grand Island, NE 68802-1488 Phone (308)385-6265 FAX (308)385-6269

July 19, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work to Begin Soon on Interstate 80 Between Kearney and Minden

Work is scheduled to begin on Interstate 80 July 29 between Kearney and Minden, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

American Civil Contractors, Inc., of Lakewood, Colorado, has the \$1,410,133 contract for diamond grinding and joint repair. Traffic will be maintained with lane restrictions and a reduced speed limit. Work on this project is anticipated to be completed in September.

The Department of Roads' manager on this project is Bob Ruxton of Hastings.

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For additional information contact:

Bob Ruxton in Hastings, (402) 462-1996

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District 5 Headquarters 514 Main St. Bridgeport, NE 69336-0580 Phone (308)262-1920 FAX (308)262-1923

July 20, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work in Progress on U.S. 30 in Sunol

Construction work on the junction of L17E and U.S. Highway 30 located in Sunol is in progress, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads. This construction work includes grading, culverts and bituminous asphalt.

During construction, L17E will be closed to local traffic. Motorists may access I-80 or U.S. 30 from the Lodgepole or Sidney exits. Traffic will be maintained by the use of signs in the construction work zone.

Werner Construction, Inc. of Hastings, Nebraska has the \$265,134.00 contract for this project. The work is scheduled to be completed in two weeks. Highway Project Manager for this project is Russ Frickey of the Bridgeport Construction Office.

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For additional information contact:

Russ Frickey, Highway Project Manager, Bridgeport, (308) 262-1929, ext. 201.



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July 20, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work Begins from Hampton to Henderson on I-80

Work has begun on I-80 from Hampton to Henderson, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Dobson Brothers Construction Co. of Lincoln has the \$1,418,015 contract for pavement patching, milling, asphalt surfacing, and guardrail work. Traffic will be maintained with lane closures, a reduced speed limit and a 12' width limit.

Work is anticipated to be completed in September. The Department of Roads' manager for this project is Lyle Kohmetscher of Hastings.

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For additional information contact:

Lyle Kohmetscher of Hastings, (402) 462-1996

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July 21, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Thursday, July 22, 2004 @ 11:00PM Until Friday, July 23, 2004 @ 6:00AM

Weather Permitting

Southbound I-680 loop to Eastbound West Dodge Road will be Closed.

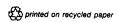
Westbound West Dodge Road loop to Southbound I-680 will be Closed.

Eastbound West Dodge Road loop to Northbound I-680 will be Closed.

These Closures are necessary to torque the bridge girder bolts at West Dodge Road and I-680.

Chas. Vrana & Son Construction Company is the Contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:





District 1 Headquarters 302 Superior St. Lincoln, NE 68509-4759 Phone (402)471-0850 FAX (402)471-3401

July 26, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work Scheduled to Begin on the Swanton Spur

Construction work on the Swanton Spur, S76D, is scheduled to begin on August 9, according to the Department of Roads.

Werner Construction, Inc., of Hastings has the \$1,069,468 contract for grading, bridge work, and asphalt surfacing. The work is anticipated to be completed by November. Traffic will be maintained with signs, a 12' width limit, flaggers, and pilot cars in construction zones.

The Department of Roads' manager for this project is Dennis J. Endorf of Fairbury.

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For additional information contact:

Dennis J. Endorf, Fairbury, (402) 729-3489

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July 26, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Tuesday, July 27, 2004 @ 11:00PM Until Wednesday, July 28, 2004 @ 6:00AM

Weather Permitting

Southbound I-680 loop to Eastbound West Dodge Road will be Closed.

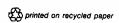
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These Closures are necessary to torque the bridge girder bolts at West Dodge Road and I-680.

Chas. Vrana & Son Construction Company is the Contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:





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July 27, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Work to begin shortly on Highway 136 between Hebron and Gilead

Construction work on U.S. Highway 136, between Hebron and Gilead, is set to begin on August 9, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Werner Construction Company of Hastings has the \$1,243,952 contract for a 4-inch stabilized bituminous base, 3-inch asphalt overlay and earth shoulders. During construction, traffic will be maintained on U.S. Highway 136 with the use of signs, flaggers, and pilot cars in the construction work zones.

Work is anticipated to be completed by fall of 2004. The Department of Roads' manager assigned to this project is Allen A. Vandegrift of Fairbury.

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For additional information contact:

Allen A. Vandegrift, Fairbury at (402) 729-3489

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July 28, 2004

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Douglas County

Wednesday, July 28, 2004 @ 11:00PM Until Thursday, July 29, 2004 @ 6:00AM

Weather Permitting

Southbound I-680 loop to Eastbound West Dodge Road will be Closed.

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Chas. Vrana & Son Construction Company is the Contractor on this project.

For additional information contact:

