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Information Open House February 25 for Highway 81 Improvements at Norfolk

The Nebraska Department of Roads will hold an Information Open House Monday, February 25, regarding plans to reconstruct the intersection of Monroe Avenue and U.S. Highway 81 on the south side of Norfolk. The open house will be held from 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. at the Council Chambers, 309 Madison Avenue, in Norfolk.

The proposed project involves reconstructing the intersection just south of the U.S. 81 viaduct to better accommodate truck traffic on Monroe Avenue. The intersection would be reconstructed on new alignment just south of the existing intersection. Traffic signals would be added.

Additional right-of-way must be acquired for construction of the new intersection. Remnants of the old intersection would be removed.

Construction would be done under traffic. Temporary detour of local routes may be required, as coordinated with the city of Norfolk.

Construction may impact wetland areas. Replacement wetlands to mitigate construction impacts would be established along the project or at an approved mitigation bank.

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 will be available for public review at the NDOR District 3 Office, 408 North 13th Street, in Norfolk. Information also will be available on the Internet at www.dor.state.ne.us.

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