

Brief westbound I-10 closures southeast of Casa Grande overnight this week

Motorists should expect delays of up to 45 minutes

TUCSON – Motorists traveling westbound on Interstate 10 overnight this week between Tucson and Phoenix are advised to allow extra travel time as the Arizona Department of Transportation performs major work that is needed to widen the highway between Casa Grande and Eloy.

Intermittent closures on Westbound I-10 from Sunshine Boulevard (exit 208) to Sunland Gin Road (exit 200) are scheduled from 11 p.m. Tuesday (March 29) to 5 a.m. Wednesday (March 30) and again from 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. Thursday (March 31).

The paving work scheduled on this segment is part of a project to widen I-10 between I-8 and State Route 87 from two to three lanes in each direction to reduce traffic congestion and improve safety along this heavily traveled corridor. The \$31.3 million American Recovery and Reinvestment Act project is anticipated to be complete during spring 2012.

What to expect during the closure:

- Motorists should expect delays up to 45 minutes when Department of Public Safety stops traffic
- DPS will stop westbound I-10 traffic when heavy machinery begins work on the roadway
- There will be no detours
- Work will be done in 30-minute increments during the overnight work hours
- DPS officers will be onsite to monitor speed limits through the construction zone and enforce any temporary closures when construction crews work on different segments of the project area
- Drivers should proceed through the work zone with caution, slow down and be alert for construction equipment and personnel

For more information about this project, please visit www.azdot.gov/statewide or contact Pinal County Senior Community Relations Officer Teresa Guillen at 602.828.8075 or tguillen@azdot.gov. Local media should contact the ADOT Public Information Office at news@azdot.gov or 1.800.949.8057. Visit www.facebook.com/azdot or www.azdot.gov for more information about ADOT.

ADOT works to inform the public about planned highway restrictions, but there is a possibility that unscheduled closures or restrictions may occur. Weather can also affect a project schedule. To stay up-to-date with the latest highway conditions around the state, visit the ADOT Traveler Information Center at www.az511.gov or call 5-1-1.