



City of Chico

SR32 Widening Project (Phase 1)

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State Route 32 Widening Project (Phase 1) Weekly Update

Introduction

Following is the Eighth (8th) Volume of the SR32 Widening Project (Phase 1) weekly update newsletter. The purpose of these updates is to share detailed information regarding scheduling and construction activities anticipated for the upcoming week. If you do not wish to receive updates, you may opt out by sending staff a quick e-mail with that instruction. Alternatively, if you know of other interested parties that would appreciate being added to the list, please send an email request to: update32@chicoca.gov

Dead Horse Slough Bridge Widening Work

We are now underway on the first major component to the Dead Horse Slough Bridge widening, as the precast concrete piles have begun to be driven into the ground. This work involves percussion equipment to hammer the concrete piles into the ground, which will act as the foundation of the new bridge. This is a very loud operation of work and will continue for approximately one to two weeks, depending on the pile driving conditions. The hours of operation for this work will be between 7:00 AM and 5:00 PM on the days that concrete piles are installed. Please drive with caution around the Dead Horse Slough bridge and be sure to pay attention to traffic control devices and signs. Material deliveries, as well as construction equipment will be entering and exiting the roadway in order to access the ongoing work at this location. Following the pile driving, bridge foundation work will proceed with the construction of the bridge abutments.

Roadway Widening Work

The new roadway grade has been cleared and soils have begun to be hauled in and placed in order to start building up the new roadway embankment. Roadway embankment is the base material that is used to build up the new roadway grade, consisting of mostly soil and aggregates. This portion of the work will be ongoing for the next few months. Once the roadway embankment is complete, the roadway structural section will be placed on top of this. The roadway structural section for the new roadway will consist of 1.60 feet of aggregate base and 0.55 feet of asphalt pavement. As part of the roadway widening work, new concrete sidewalks and handicap ramps will be installed at the intersection of State Route 32 and Forest Avenue. This work will start to take shape over the next few weeks on the north side of State Route 32.

Stage 1 Traffic Alignment Shift

On the night of Monday, July 14, temporary pavement striping was placed to shift Highway 32 traffic slightly to the south, in order to create more room for the new roadway widening work to be performed. You will also notice that the temporary signal system at the intersection of Forest Avenue and Highway 32 has been activated and the previously existing traffic signal poles have been removed. It is anticipated that this traffic alignment will be in place for the next few months. Please be sure to travel through this area with caution, paying attention to the revised traffic alignment and devices, as well as the other suggested driving tips through a construction zone as referenced at the bottom of this newsletter.

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Safety Tips

- ✓ Drive slowly and carefully through the construction area.
- ✓ Be alert for construction workers and large equipment, such as backhoes, graders and trucks.
- ✓ Obey all construction signs and directions from traffic control flaggers.

The City appreciates your patience and understanding during the project. Please feel free to contact City staff or the Contractor should you need additional information. The Contractor will notify residents & businesses at least 10 days prior to the commencement of any construction activities that may affect or is in the immediate vicinity of their property. For more information, please refer to the City Capital Project Services website at www.ci.chico.ca.us Pull down the Departments drop down menu and select Capital Project Services. The same web page can be accessed at the following link: www.ci.chico.ca.us/capital_project_services/home_page.asp

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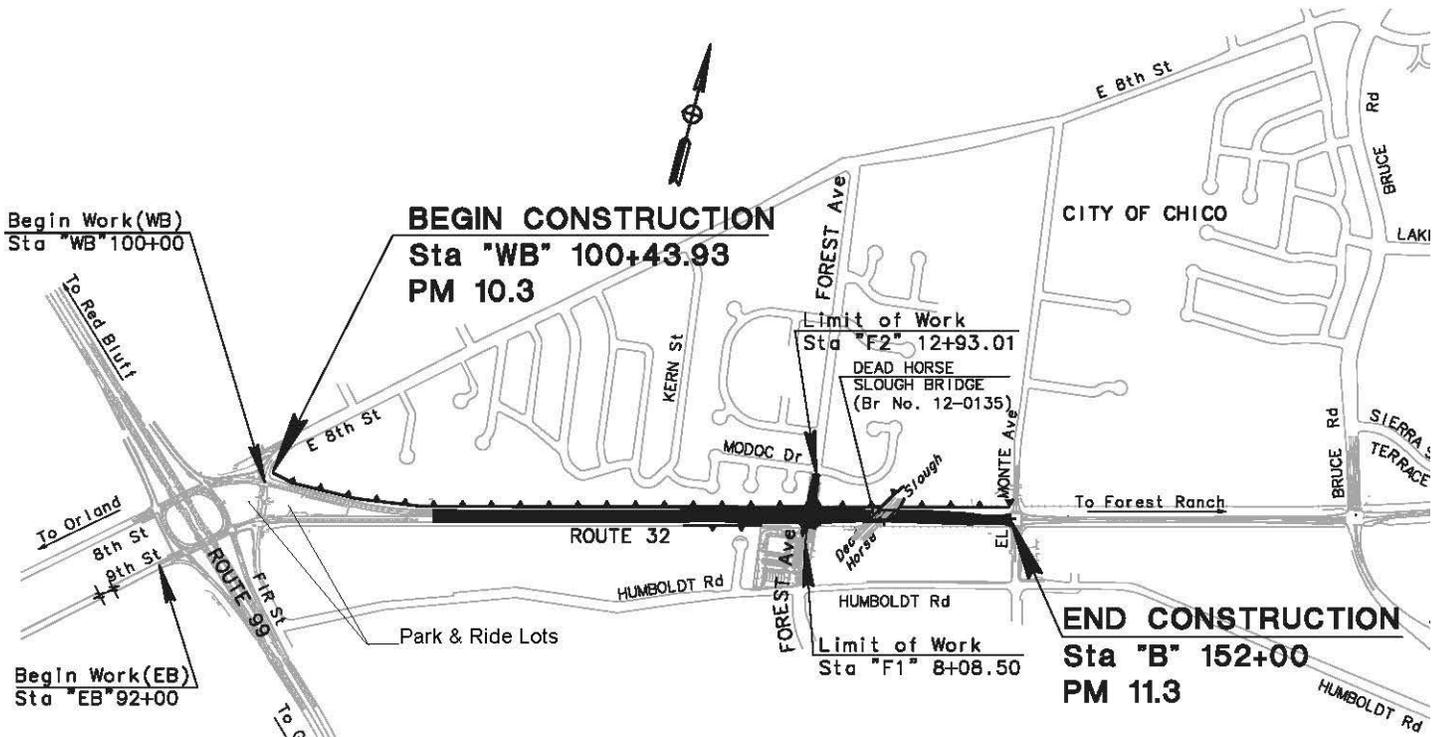
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Area of Construction Activities (June 2014-January 2015)



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