



Cowlitz County

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News Release

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Road Delays for the week of June 25-28, 2018

Chip Sealing:

Drivers may encounter delays as the 2018 chip sealing operations continue **Monday, June 25 through Wednesday, June 28, in the Lexington area.**

Chip sealing is the primary surface type throughout Cowlitz County. Crews place a thin layer of oil, followed by specific rock chips. Sweepers ensure an even rock application while a roller packs the rocks into the oil. Within a week crews will return to sweep any excess rock that has not bonded to the oil surface. The treatment is applied approximately every seven years to keep roads in good quality. Chip seal is a cost-effective preservation treatment. Flaggers will direct traffic during chip sealing operations.

Roads scheduled for Chip Sealing (in approximate order) include: Alturas Drive, Alameda Drive, Wilshire Way, Radcliffe Drive, Westminster Drive, Wyatt Drive, Leif Drive, Vermillion Drive, Abbey Lane, Yellow Brick Road, Penny Lane, Regal Lane, Villa Road, Boardwalk Way, Indigo Court, Rainbow Way, Sparks Drive, Lexington, Place, Lexington Avenue, Carriage Court, Decatur Drive, Cowlitz Drive, King Road, Sierra Drive, Monterey Drive, Cimarron Drive, Aloha Drive, Palm Drive, Desert Inn Drive, Ponderosa Drive, Ventura Drive, Aaron Drive, Daffodil Lane, Saratoga Lane, Garden Street, Louise Street, John Street and Lexington Bridge Way.

If the pace progresses similar to this week, then we would expect to complete the list potentially through Decatur Drive on Wednesday. No chip sealing is scheduled for Thursday, June 29th but operations are expected to continue in the Lexington area on Monday, July 2nd. Updated scheduling will be released next week.

Road Striping:

Castle Rock and Longview - Drivers may encounter slow moving paint striping trucks Monday, June 25 through Thursday, June 28.

Roads scheduled for striping (in approximate order) include: Hazel Dell Road, Delameter Road, Melton Road, Woodside Drive, McKee Road, Garlock Road, Coal Creek Road, Neimi Road, Tanglewood Drive, Ragland Road, Carlon Loop Road, Harmony Drive, Eufaula Heights Road, Shamrock Road, Ferncrest Road, Jackson Road, Grasseth-Poston Road, Stella Road, Fall Creek Road, Wohl Road, Germany Creek Road, Abernathy Creek Road, West McAdams Road, Bunker Hill Road, East McAdams Road, Hooper Road, Slide Creek Road, Mill Creek Road, Spruce Creek Road, Hunter Road, Robertson Road, Whitewater Road, Cathlamet Road and

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Oak Point Road. Additional roads will be added to the list and the updated schedule will be posted when the information is made available to our office.

Motorists encountering the lead buffer truck are asked to wait until the last truck has passed before entering the roadway. Drivers behind, or travelling opposite of the painting operation, should not cross the paint lines. Per WAC 308-330-412, it is unlawful to drive across freshly applied markings. If vehicles do need to exit the roadway, they should proceed slowly at a 90 degree angle. Paint drying times will depend on weather, but it is generally dry within five minutes. Please use caution near construction zones and obey the directions of construction personnel and traffic control devices.

Paint striping, chip sealing, overlay paving, culvert replacements and road improvements are scheduled throughout the summer. For up-to-date information please call the Department of Public Works at (360) 577-3030, or visit our website at www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/publicworks, or the Cowlitz County Department of Public Works Facebook page.

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