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Road Delays for the week of July 9-13, 2018

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Chip Sealing:

Drivers may encounter delays as the 2018 chip sealing operations resume **Monday, July 9 in the Lexington area before moving to the Ryderwood and Castle Rock areas through Thursday, July 12.**

Roads scheduled for Chip Sealing (in approximate order) include:

Lexington: Aloha Drive, Palm Drive, Desert Inn Drive, Ponderosa Drive, Aaron Drive, Daffodil Lane, Saratoga Lane, Garden Street, Louise Street and John Street. The Lexington area should be complete by early Tuesday.
Ryderwood: Madison Street, Monroe Street, Sixth Street, Fifth Street, Fourth Street, Third Street and Second Street. **Castle Rock:** Firlane Place, Firlane Road, Davis Road, Elwood Road, Dahlman Road, Silver Lake Acres Road, Rink Road, South Silver Lake Road, landfill roads and Headquarters Road.

Updated scheduling will be released next week. After the Castle Rock area roads have been completed, chip sealing operations are expected to move to the Kelso (primarily South Kelso) and Kalama (primarily Kalama River valley) areas.

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.

Road Striping:

Longview, Amboy, Ariel, Woodland, Kalama and Kelso - Drivers may encounter slow moving paint striping trucks Monday, July 9 through Friday, July 13. Note: This was previously announced as a July 5 – 8 schedule, however, the contractor has revised their striping schedule.

Roads scheduled for striping (in approximate order) include:

Longview: Pacific Way, Sunset Way, Sunset Drive, Lone Oak Road, Cedar Gates Road, Columbia Heights Road, Monticello Drive, Montvale Way, North Columbia Heights Road, West Beacon Hill Drive, South Nevada Drive, Nevada Drive, Olsen Road, Inglewood Drive, Beacon Hill Drive and Alpha Drive. **Amboy / Ariel:** Frasier Road, Ham Road, Shetler Road, North Dubois Road and South Dubois Road. **Woodland:** Merwin Village Road,

Fredrickson Road, Englert Road, Reno Cut-Off Road, Old Lewis River Road (hatchery area), Hansen Road, Old Lewis River Road (golf course area), Niemi Road, Little Kalama River Road, Aho Carson Road, Woodland Heights Road, Finn Hall Road, Nevala Road, Butte Hill Road, Insel Road, Dike Road, Dike Access Road, Kuhnis Road, Whalen Road, South Pekin Road, Pinkerton Road, Caples Road, Robinson Road, South Burke Road, Guild Road and Green Mountain Road. **Kalama:** Shirley Gordon Road, Lane Road, Martins Bluff Road, South Cloverdale Road, Cloverdale Road, Confer Road, Todd Road, Old Pacific Hwy South, Toteff Road, Kilkelly Road, Vincent Road, Sauer Road, Jaeger Road, Gore Road, Spencer Creek Road and Vivian Road. **Kelso:** Old 99 South, Mt Pleasant Road, Kingsbury Road, Harrison Road, Kool Road, Olsen Road, Fish Pond Road, Cornwell Road, Duncan Road, Rose Valley Road, Bodine Road, North Bodine Road, Goble Loop Road, Zillig Road, Mahaffey Road, North Maple Hill Road and Norwood Drive.

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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