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Road Delays for August, 2018

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ROAD STRIPING:

Kalama River Road area and Headquarters Road area - Drivers may encounter slow moving paint striping trucks Friday and Saturday, August 10th and 11th and on Sunday, August 12th in the City of Kelso depending on weather.

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.

Road Construction Projects Underway (previous press release):

Drivers may encounter delays as contractors **conduct repair projects in both the 200 and 300 blocks of Rose Valley Road** this summer. The first project, to replace a retaining wall in the 300 block (MP 0.45 – 0.46), began July 5th. A second project, to repair an embankment that is undermining the road in the 200 block (MP 0.21 – 0.34), is expected to begin in late August. Both repair projects will require the closure of the westbound lane in that portion of Rose Valley Road. One lane will remain open and traffic will be alternated through the work zones via the use of an automated, portable traffic light system.

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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