



Cowlitz County

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Road Delays for the week of September 14-18, 2020

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Road Striping:

Drivers may encounter slow moving paint striping trucks next week as striping operations continue on roads in Cowlitz County. The striping contractor releases the specific schedule of roads on short notice. Consequently, the road schedule is not available for the press release. The road areas will be posted to social media as they become available.

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.

Delameter Road Reconstruction Project:

C & R Tractor and Landscaping, under contract with Cowlitz County, are continuing work on the Delameter Road Reconstruction Project. This safety improvement project will replace culverts, widen travel lanes and modify curves and slopes from Milepost 0.90 to 2.33 (Cline Road to Melton Road).

C & R Tractor and Landscaping is responsible for maintaining safe vehicle passage, with travel delays of no more than 20 minutes, through the work zone during the construction project. Inquiries and concerns should be directed to their General Superintendent for the project: Jayson Johnson, C & R Tractor and Landscaping at (360) 577-8288.

Coyote Lane / Baxter Creek Bridge Project:

Legacy Contracting, Inc., under contract with Cowlitz County, are installing a bridge to replace a culvert to improve road safety and enhance fish passage at Milepost 0.16 on Coyote Lane in Castle Rock. One lane will remain open for travel. Project completion is expected in early November.

Rose Valley Road / Turner Creek Culvert Replacement Project:

Advanced Excavating Specialists, under contract with Cowlitz County, are continuing a culvert replacement / fish passage project between Milepost 3.75 and 3.83 on Rose Valley Road. One lane will remain open for travel. Project completion is expected in early October.

Mahaffey Road Culvert Replacement Project:

Advanced Excavating Specialists, under contract with Cowlitz County, are continuing a culvert replacement project in the 600 block of Mahaffey Road in Kelso. The road is closed at the project location. A signed detour route using North Mahaffey Road and private roads is available. A map of the detour route is available on the press release page of the Public Works website. This project is expected to be completed early next week.

Please use caution near construction zones and obey the directions of construction personnel and traffic control devices. Road striping operations are weather dependent. Moisture and temperature conditions can slow or postpone operations. Projected schedules are approximate.

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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