



Tom Church Cabinet Secretary Designate

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Press Release

I-10 and Avenida de Mesilla *Utility Work*

<u>Las Cruces:</u> NMDOT with La Calerita Construction has now OPENED the I-10 westbound descending/off ramp for Avenida de Mesilla. The closure was placed in order to allow the contractor to install new lines, and ensure that all connections and services are active.

In addition, the NMDOT along with La Calerita Construction will be holding a Public Involvement Meeting on Thursday October 17th, which will start promptly at 6:00 pm. The meeting will take place at the NMDOT Complex located at 750 N. Solano in Las Cruces, NM.

Motorists will still encounter lane restrictions on NM-28/Avenida de Mesilla between Hickory Loop and Lakeside Drive, and on I-10 between Motel Boulevard and University Avenue. Traffic alerts are posted throughout the work zone advising motorists of detours as outlined in the contractors' schedule. Motorists will be able to gain access to the City of Las Cruces and the Town of Mesilla at Motel Boulevard exit 139, or University Avenue exit 142 for both east and westbound I-10 traffic.

Updates on road projects and traffic alerts will be posted on the Department's web site www.NMroads.com, and can be retrieved by calling 511 in New Mexico or 1-800-432-4269 out of state.

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