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Press Release

Crack sealing on US 380 to begin this week in Lea County

The New Mexico Department of Transportation is scheduled to begin crack sealing work on US 380, between Tatum and the Texas state line, from mile post 229 to mile post 242, on Saturday, February 11th. Work on this \$68,000 portion of the \$1,616,986 project is expected to last one week.

The work will consist of preparing and cleaning cracks and joints in the existing pavement surface and sealing the cracks with hot-poured sealant. This rehabilitation work will extend the service life of the roadway by reducing water infiltration into the pavement layers. Other roads scheduled for crack sealing work include portions of U.S. 60, U.S. 70, U.S. 54, and N.M. 285.

During the projects travelers can expect a one-lane closure with a pilot car operation and a reduction of the speed limits between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., seven days a week. Drivers are asked to watch for construction personnel working in the area, observe the temporary construction signing, and reduce speed to the posted speed limits.

Questions and comments may be directed to Jeffrey Anderson, NMDOT Project Manager, at (575) 637-7811.

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