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Press Release

Roadway Maintenance scheduled for NM-9 and adjacent routes in Hidalgo County Animas, New Mexico

<u>**Hidalgo County</u>**: The New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT) District One office will begin their Chip Seal Maintenance operations for a section of NM-9, NM-80 and NM-533.</u>

The project will consist of placement of material on top of the existing mat in order to preserve the longevity of the roadway. Traffic control will be placed within the work zone with reduction in speed posted as a pilot vehicle, and flagging operations will be stationed to allow motorists to travel through the project safely. The NMDOT would like to encourage motorists to exercise extreme caution when traveling within any work zone.

Project scheduled will start on NM-80 from mile marker 0-8, and cover the junction of NM-80 and NM-533. The district maintenance crew will then move their operations over to NM-9 and will chip seal from mile marker 0-22. Working hours will be Monday through Thursday starting at 7:00 a.m. and lifting restrictions by 5:00 p.m..

Updates on road projects and traffic alerts will be posted on the department's web site <u>www.NMroads.com</u>, and by calling 511 in New Mexico or 1-800-432-4269.

For more information regarding this work you may contact Gene Paulk, P.E., NMDOT Assistant District Engineer- Maintenance at (575) 544-6554, or Bridget Spedalieri, NMDOT District One Public Information Officer at (575) 525-7340.

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