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Press Release

## **ADA Pedestrian Improvements Scheduled to Begin In the Village of Tularosa**

**Tularosa** – In order to improve pedestrian safety and mobility in the Village of Tularosa, the New Mexico Department of Transportation will begin construction on an American with Disabilities Act (ADA) pedestrian improvement project late August on U.S. 70 from Apple Ave. to Sierra Blanca and on U.S. 54/70 from Higuera Ave. to Bosque Street.

The improvement work will consist of traffic signal upgrade at the intersection U.S. 54/70 and Higuera Ave. and reconstructing the intersection corners, including; sidewalk ramp, curb, and gutter, pedestrian buttons, speed feedback units, signing adjustments, striping and signal modifications. Work will take place in sections along the corridors.

Directional detour signs will go up notifying pedestrians and motorists of work. Access to businesses and residents will be maintained throughout the project, as well as, ADA accessibility at all intersections. During the project motorists can expect a one-lane closure and short delays between the hours of 7:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday.

According to standards set by the American with Disabilities Act, streets must contain street ramps. Work on this \$1.8 million project is expected to be complete next summer, weather permitting.

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