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I-475 reconstruction in Genesee County starts March 11

COUNTY:
Genesee

HIGHWAY:
I-475

CLOSEST CITY:
Flint

ESTIMATED DATE:
Monday, March 11, 2019

ESTIMATED COMPLETION DATE:
November 2019

PROJECT:

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will invest \$44 million in substantial repairs to nearly 18 miles of I-475 in Genesee County. The following work is expected through the 2019 construction season

- Rebuilding 3 miles of I-475 from Carpenter Road north to just east of Clio Road.
- Northbound I-475 will include a 50-year pavement design, using hot-mix asphalt.
- I-475 will undergo a capital preventive maintenance cape seal from Clio Road to I-75.
- Interchange improvements and redesign at Saginaw Street, including the removal of two loop ramps.
- A freeway road diet, reducing I-475 from three lanes to two lanes from Saginaw to Carpenter Road.
- Lighting improvements from Carpenter Road to Saginaw.
- Sign improvements along the entire length of I-475.
- Removal of the pedestrian bridges on each side of the Saginaw Street interchange.
- Bridge and ramp work at Saginaw Street and Detroit Street.

Project map: <http://bit.ly/2nMNo1m>

TRAFFIC RESTRICTIONS:

Beginning March 11, northbound I-475 will be reduced to one lane from Carpenter Road to Clio Road. Lane closures will also be in place on Saginaw Street and Detroit Street under I-475.

Southbound I-475 will be closed and detoured from the north junction of the I-475 interchange to I-69. Motorists should follow the posted detour using southbound I-75 to eastbound I-69.

Motorists can also expect intermittent single-lane closures in both direction of I-475 from I-69 to the south I-75/I-475 junction for sign upgrades.

SAFETY BENEFITS:

This work will improve the road surface and drainage, while also improving safety with new signs and freeway lighting.

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