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Work Scheduled to Begin on N-79 Raymond Road to Valparaiso

August 30, 2017 (Lincoln, Neb.) — Weather permitting, work is scheduled to begin September 5 on N-79, starting at Raymond Road and continues north for 8.5 miles to Valparaiso, according to the Nebraska Department of Transportation.

Pavers Companies, of Waverly Nebraska, is the prime contractor for this \$11.6 million project. Work includes construction of a temporary road to maintain N-79 traffic while the highway bridge north of County Road A is removed and replaced. Culvert work will be done along West Rock Creek Road. Tree removal and grading along with other culvert work will occur at various locations throughout the project. County Road A will be closed for a short time while the contractor is building the new County Road A intersection for the temporary road. N-79 will remain open this fall and winter with some lane closures that will be maintained by flaggers. The speed limit will be reduced to 45 mph on the temporary road.

In March of 2018, N-79 will be closed and traffic will be detoured to North 14th Street utilizing West Raymond Road and County Road A allowing the contractor to work on grading, culverts, bridges and resurfacing. It is planned to have N-79 open to traffic by December of 2018. Remaining work will carry over into 2019 and will be performed under traffic-maintained conditions.

The Department of Transportation project manager is Robert Sanburn of Lincoln. Motorists can expect delays, reduced speed and are asked to drive cautiously through construction zones.

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