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## Nebraska Department of Transportation Announces Emergency Repairs to Begin in Central Nebraska

March 29, 2019 (Lincoln, Neb.) — The Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) is currently working on repairs to the flood damaged roadway and bridges on various emergency projects in central Nebraska. These include:

- Highway 14: Paulsen Inc. from Cozad, Nebraska, and Van Kirk Brothers Contracting from Sutton, Nebraska, has been awarded the contract to start immediate repairs to the sections of Highway 14 north and south of Fullerton. Work includes repair to the roadway to restore immediate connectivity. Weather depending, work is anticipated to conclude north of Fullerton by April 10. The remaining portion south of Fullerton is anticipated to be completed by April 17, again depending on weather. Highway 22 between Highway 281 and Genoa will remain closed until repairs are completed north of Fullerton to Highway 14.
- Highway 39: Paulsen Inc. from Cozad, Nebraska and Van Kirk Brothers Contracting from Sutton, Nebraska, has been awarded the contract to start immediate repairs to the roadway sections of Highway 39. Work includes repairing roadways washed out by the flood. NDOT is in the process of designing a bridge to replace the damaged bridge south of the Loop River. Once design work has been completed, a new contract for the bridge will be let for construction. Highway 39 between Highway 30 and the junction of Highway 39 and Highway 22 will remain closed until all repairs, including bridge replacement, are complete.

Heavy truck and semi-truck traffic are advised to only take marked detours and avoid county roads in these areas. Many of the county roads are unable to support semi-truck traffic.

NDOT will continue to provide detours for each bridge that has either been washed out or requires repair through [511.nebraska.gov](http://511.nebraska.gov).

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