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U.S. 50 East Shore Tahoe Lane Reductions Begin April 21 for Launch of Highway Repaving

Carson City, Nev. – The Nevada Department of Transportation is advising Tahoe motorists to prepare for lane reductions beginning April 21 on the U.S. 50 Tahoe East Shore as a two-season highway repaving and improvement project launches.

Initial utility location work will begin April 21, with single lane closures Sundays at 8 p.m. through Fridays at noon on short sections of U.S. 50 between Spooner Summit (near the State Route 28 intersection) and the Nevada/California border at Stateline.

Then, beginning May 1, drivers will see lanes reduced on longer sections of the highway as full roadway repaving work begins. Motorists should anticipate the following traffic changes between April through October 2025, and again April through October 2026:

- Single lane closures will take place Sundays at 8 p.m. through Fridays at noon on sections of U.S. 50 between Spooner Summit to the Nevada/California border at Stateline.
- A minimum of one lane in each direction will stay open at all times.
- Speeds will be reduced to 35mph through work zones
- While access to businesses and residences will be continuously maintained in most areas, certain side streets and driveways will temporarily be impacted as roadway excavation takes place in the immediate area. Steel plates and earthwork will then be used after excavation to reestablish side street access
- Drivers can anticipate moderate travel delays through the work zone
- Lane reductions will not take place during major holidays or special events
- Construction schedule is weather permitting and subject to change
- Intermittent sidewalk closures will take place in the casino corridor, with pedestrian access remaining available

The resurfacing will not reduce the number of highway lanes and will not include major turn lane or intersection reconfigurations.

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The project will resurface just over 13 miles of U.S. 50 from the Spooner Summit Trailhead near the U.S. 50/State Route 28 intersection to the Nevada/California border at Stateline.

- Three inches of aging roadway surface will be removed and replaced with new asphalt.
- Between Spooner Summit and Glenbrook, two double yellow lines in the median will create a two-foot separation between traffic directions to reduce potential head-on crashes and enhance safety.
- To also help reduce cross-over crashes, centerline rumble strips will be placed between Spooner Pass and Glenbrook and other select areas to help alert and correct drivers who may unintentionally leave their lane.
- Certain sections of roadside guardrail will also be replaced or upgraded to concrete barrier rail to enhance safety.
- Existing asphalt curbs will be replaced with concrete curbing to better withstand winter snow removal activities.
- Drainage improvements will reduce roadway water ponding.
- A fiber optic trunk line will also be installed to expand NDOT's communications network, connect intelligent transportation systems, and provide a pathway for other communications services.

Many sections of highway haven't been fully resurfaced since 2007. The resurfacing will provide a smoother, safer drive for the approximately 26,000 drivers who travel the busy stretch of highway daily.

NDOT has gathered public and stakeholder feedback to develop the U.S. 50 Tahoe East Shore Corridor Management Plan. The plan develops priorities and concepts as a blueprint for future additional improvements to enhance highway safety and mobility.

Additional state highway information is available at dot.nv.gov or by calling (775) 888-7000. Also follow @NevadaDOTReno on Twitter for traffic and project updates in northern Nevada, and @nevadadot on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#) for updates from across the state.

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