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MDOT provides M-59 update and reminder of access available for all businesses, including this Mother's Day weekend

COUNTY:

Macomb

COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:

Sterling Heights, Utica, and Clinton, Macomb, and Shelby townships

PHASE 1 COMPLETION:

Mid-October 2017

PHASE 2 SCHEDULE:

Begin: Early Spring 2018

End: October 2018

UPDATES:

Eastbound M-59, from M-53 to Schoenherr Road, and westbound M-59, from Garfield Road to Schoenherr Road, currently each have the three left lanes open (which include the temporary lanes built into the median). This configuration allows crews to safely remove the concrete in the two right lanes, along with addressing the many business driveways, access points, and cross streets.

Eastbound M-59 has three lanes open over M-53. It is expected to be completed soon and reopened to four lanes. Westbound M-59 has the two right lanes closed over M-53, including the ramp to southbound M-53. Traffic can use the westbound turnaround to eastbound M-59 to access southbound M-53.

Beginning Wednesday, 5/17/17, Hayes Road will close in both directions through the M-59 intersections for approximately 10 days. M-59 traffic will not be able to turn onto Hayes Road during the closure.

The project is on schedule, despite recent weather, and work is being performed in multiple locations. Driveway closures to businesses continue to be coordinated to allow at least one access point.

As a reminder for this Mother's Day weekend, access is being maintained to all the businesses along M-59. If a business has only one entry point, work will be partially performed to maintain access.

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) thanks motorists, residents, and business owners for their patience and understanding during this much needed work on one of Macomb County's most significant roadways.

WEBSITE UPDATES:

The M-59 project website, www.movingmacomb.org, now features a link for the average travel time for weekdays and weekends to aid in planning commute times through construction zone. Motorists are also reminded to check the website for current project details and updates.

PROJECT DETAILS:

MDOT is investing \$60 million to reconstruct 3.7 miles of M-59 (Hall Road) between M-53 to Garfield Road in 2017 and between Garfield Road and Romeo Plank Road in 2018.

During this first year, work includes replacing all concrete with new asphalt, improving drainage, upgrading ramps and sidewalks to be compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and new sidewalk will be added to fill in the missing gaps along M-59. New modern traffic signals, sign replacement, enhanced landscaping, and other aesthetic improvements are planned as well. During the second year, work will continue on both sides of M-59 between Garfield and Romeo Plank roads.

Project location: <https://goo.gl/qAXOGS>

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