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### HIGHWAY 23 NORTH OF INTERSTATE 40 TO RE-OPEN

**LITTLE ROCK (1-11)** The contractor repairing flood damage on Highway 23, north of Interstate 40 in Franklin County, will re-open the highway to traffic by 5:00 p.m. on January 11<sup>th</sup> according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials. Traffic will use an unpaved area of the roadway with northbound and southbound traffic alternately sharing one lane.

The contractor will continue work to restore the highway including completion of the rock fill and re-paving of the roadway over the next several months.

On December 29<sup>th</sup>, the roadway approximately 5 miles north of Cass was closed when crews making repairs to the section of the highway impacted by a landslide discovered additional instability. Traffic had utilized one lane with northbound and southbound traffic alternating prior to the road closure.

Following completion of the rock fill at the location of the recent closure, the contractor will begin work on repair of a land slide at a second location approximately one mile north of the current construction. Work at the second location will require traffic to be restricted to one lane with northbound and southbound traffic alternating during construction.

Motorists should exercise caution when approaching and traveling through all highway work zones.

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