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Improvements to Highway 12 Will Require Temporary Lane Closures near Rogers

BENTON COUNTY (7-24) – Improvements to Highway 12 east of Rogers, locally called Bull Hill, will require temporary lane closures, according to Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) officials.

Weather permitting, crews will seal the highway with Bituminous Surface Treatment (liquid asphalt and pea gravel). The work will start at Bull Hill Road and continue to Apple Glen Road on Highway 12 and alternating lane closures will occur between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30 and Monday, August 3.

Bituminous surface treatment is a proven method of sealing cracks and providing a durable wearing surface utilizing local materials at an economical cost. It usually takes from four to eight days from the time the material is placed until the loose material is swept off the roadway. The time varies with the length of the section being surfaced and weather conditions.

Drivers are urged to use caution when traveling on a highway that is undergoing this treatment because gravel can cause glass breakage when it is propelled by a vehicle that is traveling too fast for conditions.

Numerous signs are placed near the work zone to warn drivers of the conditions and to restrict speed to 25 mph. Speed is the primary factor in reducing glass damage.

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