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Work to Begin on N-71 North of Kimball

Weather permitting, work is scheduled to begin the week of March 28 on N-71 from north of Kimball, beginning at Reference Post 19+77 and ending at Reference Post 28+28, according to the Nebraska Department of Roads.

Paulsen, Inc., of Cozad, Nebraska, has the \$5,239,702 project for concrete repair and placement of a waterproof membrane on both northbound and southbound bridge decks and their approaches. Work includes installation of guardrail, milling and asphalt resurfacing of the roadway, as well as placement of rumble strips on the outside and inside edges of the asphalt.

During the milling and asphalt paving operations, traffic will be maintained with the use of a lane closure and reduced speeds. During the concrete bridge deck repairs, traffic will be reduced to one lane with the use of concrete protection barriers. The project is anticipated to be completed by late August.

The Department of Roads' project manager is Jim Johnson of Gering. Motorists are reminded to drive cautiously through highway construction zones and to remember that fines are doubled in a work zone when workers are present.

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