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I-96/M-231 Interchange Construction

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What Is Being Done?

Construction of a new M-231 interchange with I-96. Work includes constructing two new bridges: eastbound and westbound I-96 over the new M-231 on ramp to westbound I-96. Three other bridges will be repaired: Apple Drive over I-96, and eastbound and westbound I-96 over M-104 (Cleveland Street). Two M-231/I-96 interchange ramps will be built: the M-231 on ramp to westbound I-96, and the eastbound I-96 off ramp to M-231.

In addition, crews will finish two ramps started last season: the eastbound I-96 off ramp to 112th Avenue, and the 112th Avenue on ramp to westbound I-96. Two ramps will be removed: the eastbound I-96 off ramp to M-104, and the M-104 on ramp to westbound I-96.

When Will This Be Done?

Construction on the new M-231 interchange with I-96 will begin in February and is expected to be substantially completed by November, with minimal bridge work scheduled to be finalized in spring 2014.

Overall, it is estimated that M-231 will be complete and open to traffic by 2016. However, the exact time table is dependent on available funding.

How Will Traffic Be Affected?

One lane will be open in each direction on I-96 for the majority of construction using temporary median crossovers. Two westbound lanes of I-96 will be open east of 112th Avenue. Intermittent



tent and long-term ramp closures are anticipated throughout the project. Motorists are advised to follow the posted detours.

Long-term Benefits

The bridge repairs and roadway reconstruction will increase the service life of the highway and improve safety and ride quality.

The new M-231 route will improve traffic flow, relieve congestion and provide a much needed additional crossing over the Grand River in Ottawa County.

MDOT's 2013 road and bridge program supports the creation of jobs, growth of the economy, preservation of the environment and the safety and security of the transportation system.