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I-496 Project Update

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Reconstruction on I-496 is in progress! The project officially started April 1 with a total closure of eastbound I-496 that will last into mid-summer. Construction will then take place on westbound I-496, with a total closure of westbound until November 2020.

Project Progress Last 2 Weeks:

- Pavement removal on the mainline has been completed from the contractor's yard to Creyts Road and from Waverly Road to Lansing Road.
- Ramps at the Creyts Road and Waverly Road interchanges have been removed.
- Mainline storm sewer from I-96 to Creyts Road, including ramps, has been placed.
 - Storm sewer placement has begun from Waverly Road to Lansing Road.
- Crossings near I-96 have been completed.
- Subbase, underdrain, watermain, and open-graded drainage course placement has begun.
- Deck fascia removal has occurred on the EB I-496 bridge over Waverly Road.
- Deck demolition and false decking are complete on the Lansing Road and Main Street bridges.
- Abutment patching work has begun at the Snow Road and Creyts Road bridges.

Project Expectations Next 2 Weeks:

- All pavement removal will be completed.
- All storm sewer crossings will be completed.
- Underdrains, separators, and an open-graded drainage course placement will continue.

- Materials for concrete paving will be delivered to the job site.
- Concrete paving will start at the ramps from I-96.
- Deck fascia and railings on the EB I-496 bridge over Waverly Road will be poured.
- Deck forming will start on EB I-496 over Lansing Road.
- Steel repairs will occur on the Main Street bridge.
- Waverly Road work is scheduled to begin on the east half between Lansing Road and St Joseph Street starting the weekend of May 8.

How Will Traffic be Affected:

- Eastbound I-496 traffic will remain detoured via I-96 to Lansing Road.
 - Ramps to eastbound I-496 will be closed from I-96, Creyts Road, and Waverly Road.
- Main Street:
 - Main Street over I-496 is detoured via Waverly Road to Martin Luther King Jr Boulevard.
- Expect lane closures on Waverly Road for bridge work between Lansing Road and St. Joseph Street.
 - Starting the weekend of May 8, Northbound Waverly Road traffic will be detoured via Lansing Road to Main Street to Clare Street to St Joseph Street.

General Project Information:

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) is investing approximately \$50 million to improve I-496 between I-96 and Lansing Road. Work will include reconstructing the freeway and ramps, preventive maintenance on all the bridges in the project area, and making operational improvements to the entrance and exit ramps at the I-96, Creyts Road, and Waverly Road interchanges.

Additional Information:

For more information about the I-496 project, go to www.michigan.gov/496Lansing. The project website contains various visual aids including alternate route maps and additional links to project-related information.

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