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## **I-496 Project Update**

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Reconstruction on I-496 has started! 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 Expectations Next 2 Weeks:**

- The contractor will set up their portable concrete crushing plant for recycling the old concrete pavement removed from the project. All the old concrete pavement removed will be used as the aggregate base for the new roadbed.
- Pavement breaking operation and removals will start on the west end of the project and progress east.
- Grading operations will soon follow the pavement removal operations.

### **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.

### **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](http://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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