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Northbound I-5 off-ramp to Franklin Boulevard to close for 12 weeks

SPRINGFIELD — Contractors for the Oregon Department of Transportation will close the Interstate 5 northbound off-ramp to Franklin Boulevard at exit 192 for 12 weeks. The ramp will close at 4 a.m. on Monday, April 12, well before the morning commute. The ramp will remain closed through Thursday, July 1.

During the closure, northbound I-5 traffic will be detoured via exit 191 to Glenwood Boulevard to access westbound Franklin Boulevard. Signs will alert drivers to the change in advance of the closure date.

The ramp closure will allow construction of the base support for a sign bridge spanning I-5. For the latest information about the project, please visit the project Web site at www.willamettebridge.org or follow the project on Twitter @OregonDOT. Visit www.Tripcheck.com for current traffic conditions.



The OTIA III State Bridge Delivery Program is part of the Oregon Department of Transportation's 10-year, \$3 billion Oregon Transportation Investment Act. OTIA funds are repairing or replacing hundreds of bridges, paving and maintaining city and county roads, improving and expanding interchanges, adding new capacity to Oregon's highway system, and removing freight bottlenecks statewide. Based on 2008 dollars, about 14 family-wage jobs are sustained for every \$1 million spent on transportation construction in Oregon. Each year during the remainder of the OTIA program, we estimate that construction projects will sustain an average of 4,100 family-wage jobs.

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