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# Road work on US-81, in Republic County

A road reconstruction project begins on US-81 in Republic County Monday, April 18, 2016. The project begins 8 miles north of the Cloud/Republic County line then north to a point 1 mile north of the US-81/US-36 Interchange. Construction involves removing the existing concrete down to the base material and replacing it with new concrete.

Traffic within the work zone will be reduced to one 12" lane in each direction resulting in head to head traffic. During construction the US-81/US36 interchange ramps will be close. All traffic wanting to transfer from one Federal highway to the other will be detoured onto 160 Rd, approximately ¼ mile west of the interchange. Plans call for the project to be completed by Dec. 30, 2016 weather permitting.

The purpose of the project is to improve ride quality and extend the life of the highway.

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