Hwy. 28 road-trail work expected to begin in April

Final design of the next phase of Highway 28 improvements goes before the Nevada Transportation board on April 10. If approved, and weather permitting, NDOT and Granite Construction could begin work on phase 2 as early as next week.

Granite Construction will work from both ends of the project, Sand Harbor and Incline Village, to try to limit the impact on traffic flow and public access.

The focus, this summer, will be completing the main structural work along the first three miles of the Tahoe East Shore trail, which is part of the greater Stateline-to-Stateline trail. The crew on the Incline Village side will begin building retaining walls and stabilizing soil-nailed walls to take the shared-use path up the hillside and around Rocky Point subdivision. At the same time, the second crew will start from the Sand Harbor boat ramp at Lake Tahoe Nevada State Park. They will also be building soil-nailed walls as well as bridge foundations along the shoreline. Some of the bridge decks will be set in the fall.

Most of this summer's work will be done Sunday night through Friday at noon, when the Memorial Point parking area will also be closed for construction staging. Expect daytime traffic control similar to last season with 20-30 minute delays. There will also be some night work with lane closures for water quality improvements, which include curb, gutter and drainage facilities.

Along with the water quality improvements, NDOT is coordinating digging a trench and adding conduit for future fiber optic and information technology uses from Incline Village to the Washoe County line. The next section, from the Carson line to Highway 50, will be included with the future shared-use path project.