

Caltrans resuming work on Hwy. 50 in SLT

Work will resume this week on a two-mile stretch of Highway 50 in South Lake Tahoe from the Y to the Trout Creek Bridge.

The \$56.9 million Caltrans project includes building drainage systems to treat storm water runoff. The project also is widening the road to provide 6-foot shoulders for bike lanes in both directions, replacing traffic signals, rebuilding curbs, gutters and sidewalks, and improving the pavement cross slope.

The three-year project is scheduled to be completed in fall 2019.

Caltrans also is coordinating with the city to incorporate signal and operational improvements at Sierra Boulevard.

The second phase of the project this year will be from Winnemucca Avenue to Silver Dollar Avenue as well as repaving the Y intersection. Work is scheduled to begin today from Winnemucca Avenue working east. The work schedule through May will be from 6am-6pm.

The contractor is allowed to work around the clock Monday through Thursday and until 11am Friday before Memorial Day and after Labor Day and until 8am Friday between Memorial Day and Labor Day. At least one lane will be open to traffic in each direction at all times and two lanes of traffic will be open during the day from Memorial Day to Labor Day. No lane closures will be permitted on weekends or around major holidays.

Motorists may experience delays of up to 30 minutes traveling through construction zone during peak traffic when the highway is reduced to one lane in each direction.