



# Cowlitz County

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## News Release

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### Road Delays for the week of September 21-25, 2020

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#### Road Striping:

Drivers may encounter slow moving paint striping trucks next week as striping operations near completion on roads in Cowlitz County. The striping contractor targets the remaining roads based upon the current temperature and moisture conditions in various portions of the County. A specific schedule of road locations is not available for publication. Weather permitting, striping operations may be completed by the end of the week.

Motorists encountering the lead buffer truck are asked to wait until the last truck has passed before entering the roadway. Drivers behind, or travelling opposite of the painting operation, should not cross the paint lines. **Per WAC 308-330-412, it is unlawful to drive across freshly applied markings.** If vehicles do need to exit the roadway, they should proceed slowly at a 90 degree angle. Paint drying times will depend on weather, but it is generally dry within five minutes.

#### Delameter Road Reconstruction Project:

C & R Tractor and Landscaping, under contract with Cowlitz County, is continuing work on the Delameter Road Reconstruction Project. This safety improvement project will replace culverts, widen travel lanes and modify curves and slopes from Milepost 0.90 to 2.33 (Cline Road to Melton Road).

C & R Tractor and Landscaping is responsible for maintaining safe vehicle passage, with travel delays of no more than 20 minutes, through the work zone during the construction project. Inquiries and concerns should be directed to their General Superintendent for the project: Jayson Johnson, C & R Tractor and Landscaping at (360) 577-8288.

#### Coyote Lane / Baxter Creek Bridge Project:

Legacy Contracting, Inc., under contract with Cowlitz County, is installing a bridge to replace a culvert to improve road safety and enhance fish passage at Milepost 0.16 on Coyote Lane in Castle Rock. One lane will remain open for travel. Project completion is expected in early November.

**Rose Valley Road / Turner Creek Culvert Replacement Project:**

Advanced Excavating Specialists, under contract with Cowlitz County, is continuing a culvert replacement / fish passage project between Milepost 3.75 and 3.83 on Rose Valley Road. One lane will remain open for travel. Project completion is expected in early October.

**(COMPLETED) Mahaffey Road Culvert Replacement Project:**

The Mahaffey Road Culvert Replacement Project has been completed by Advanced Excavating Specialists, and the road has been reopened at the project location.

**(NEW) Geotechnical Boring on South Cloverdale Road:**

A geotechnical engineering consultant is scheduled to conduct exploratory borings and test pit digging along a portion of South Cloverdale Road, between Todd Road and Confer Road in Kalama. Drivers should expect intermittent single-lane closures with flaggers from September 21 to 25.

Please use caution near construction zones and obey the directions of construction personnel and traffic control devices. Road striping operations are weather dependent. Moisture and temperature conditions can slow or postpone operations. Projected schedules are approximate.

Paint striping, chip sealing, overlay paving, culvert replacements and road improvements are scheduled throughout the summer. For up-to-date information please call the Department of Public Works at (360) 577-3030, or visit our website at [www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/publicworks](http://www.co.cowlitz.wa.us/publicworks), or the Cowlitz County Department of Public Works Facebook page.

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