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**REMINDER: Resurfacing project on State and Glenwood starts at 6 p.m.**

BOISE - Work gets under way **this evening (Monday, May 4) at 6 p.m.** by the Idaho Transportation Department to repair and resurface State and Glenwood streets (Idaho 44) through Garden City and Eagle.

The stretch of Idaho 44 being repaired extends 3.75 miles, and includes State Street from Idaho 55 to Glenwood Street, and Glenwood from State to Chinden Boulevard (U.S. 20/26). The roadway is deteriorated, cracked and rutted. The project will significantly extend the life of the roadway and result in a smoother ride for motorists.

The first phase involves milling Glenwood Street from the Boise River Bridge to Chinden Boulevard. Weather permitting, this is expected to finish by mid-May. The entire project will take approximately six weeks.

"Our crews will work an extremely aggressive schedule which includes overnight and weekend shifts," said Merrill Sharp, ITD construction manager. "This get-in, get-out approach will allow us to complete the project in less than half the time of crews working only during the day. Our priority is to keep traffic flowing safely, while completing the project quickly."

During peak commuter hours (5:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. weekdays), two lanes will remain open in each direction. At all other times, at least one lane in each direction will remain open. Access will remain open to businesses and residents in the construction area. Motorists can expect lane restrictions and minor delays. The speed limit through the work zone will be reduced to 35 mph.

Central Paving Co. Inc. Boise is the contractor on this \$4.4 million project.

*ITD and law enforcement officials caution motorists to slow down and pay attention when driving in work zones, where increased speeding fines and other penalties apply. Motorists are encouraged to plan ahead and dial 5-1-1 or visit [511.idaho.gov](http://511.idaho.gov) for information on the state highway or interstate system.*