



SANDLAKE – GALLOWAY ROAD CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

What's happening on the job?

We finished up with the mud digging at least for the section from M.P. 1.05 to M.P. 1.71. This is the area they are now placing rock on the roadway and topsoil along the slopes. The slopes adjacent to the wetlands and water will be seeded this week and should germinate with a little moisture. If you noticed those orange colored mesh bags that look like jumbo sausages in the ditches, these are "Bio-Bags" that serve as sediment filters trapping any silt coming from construction. They seem to work quite well and were added to the project as a suggestion from the Army Corp of Engineer's representative.

On Wednesday we laid down more asphalt some of which was at Three Capes intersection. If you were in one our traffic lines at that intersection, all I can say is we apologize for any inconvenience. Paving that intersection and still trying to get traffic through without tearing up the soft asphalt until it cooled lived up to our worst fears, confused traffic, upset drivers, and a job that took forever to finish. In reviewing the problems encountered we found one consistent issue, our traffic pattern with the pilot car was moving everyone along Sandlake Road and not West to Three Capes. Lesson learned for the next round of intersection paving, we need to know where you want to go. The easiest method is to have everyone use their turn signal and simply indicate their desire to turn. Bottom line is, we will do something more to get cars through on our next round of paving.

Next week the contractor will again work on the segment of Sandlake Road from M.P. 1.05 to M.P. 1.71 placing more rock. And possibly a new segment could be started near M.P. 4.0. This would mean two work zones next week, but still holding to a total delay of 30-minutes combined.

This Friday July 16, 2004 is the start of Dory days in Pacific City so we will not have any traffic control on the road. You might see work on going along the shoulders but there will not be any traffic stops. So enjoy the weekend and drop by Pacific City and take in the festivities it looks to be a great weekend.

*** * EXPECT 30-MINUTE DELAYS DAWN TO DUSK ****
Monday thru Thursday next week & Friday till Noon