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**PRESS RELEASE FROM THE OFFICE OF MAYOR HENRY**

**City of Nampa extends closure of intersection of Idaho Center Boulevard and Cherry Lane to avoid second closure in a few weeks**

The city of Nampa is extending the closure of the Idaho Center Boulevard and Cherry Lane intersection to avoid closing the intersection for a second time later into the project. The intersection was originally closed this week for four days, but the contractor must bore under the Purdam Gulch Drain and needs two more weeks.

“We understand the closure is inconvenient, but by extending it, rather than closing it a second time later this month, we can reduce the overall impact of the project to the traveling public,” said Assistant City Engineer Jeff Barnes.

Motorists will continue to be detoured to Ustick Road to the north of the intersection or Birch Lane to the south of the intersection.

The closure and detour is part of a project to rehabilitate Idaho Center Boulevard between Birch Lane and Cherry Lane. The much-needed rehabilitation project will result in a smoother ride for motorists between the entrance to the College of Western Idaho (Achievement Drive) and Cherry Lane.

Motorists should plan to use alternate routes for the next two months while crews work to improve the roadway. Local residents will continue to have access to their property.

The \$700,000 project will rebuild the roadway and increase pedestrian safety by adding wider, paved shoulders. The project also includes the installation of water and pressure irrigation and relocation of power poles in the area. The project is anticipated to be complete by late June. The contractor is Sunroc, Corp.

For more information on the project and schedule, visit the city’s project webpage at <http://www.cityofnampa.us/1139/Idaho-Center-Boulevard-Reconstruction>. If you have questions, please call 465-2221 or email [projects@cityofnampa.us](mailto:projects@cityofnampa.us).

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