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## **Traffic Alert - I-10 Expansion Project**

LAS CRUCES – The I-10 road expansion project will be constructed by Mountain State Constructor, Inc, under the direction of the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT). Lane closures with a reduction in speed are scheduled for motorists traveling eastbound and westbound from the Vado exit (155) to the Texas State Line

Heavy truck traffic may occur at the Vado exit due to the businesses established within this area. Law enforcement will monitor the flow of traffic with double fines will be posted throughout the project, within the work zone.

A Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 9, 2010 at the NMDOT Las Cruces Complex located at 750 N Solano. The meeting will start at 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm to answer questions, or discuss the project.

Frank Guzman, District One Engineer stated that “the district is concerned with the safety of our motorists. The NMDOT does not recommend using alternate routes, since NM-478 and NM-28 are not designed to withhold the overflow of traffic. There are safety and structural issues that raise a concern with the NMDOT and Law Enforcement. Park and Ride will continue to be made available for those daily commuters in order to reduce the number of vehicles during peak hours”.

Law enforcement would like to inform motorists that if they encounter an incident that is NON-Life threatening to call (575) 524-6111. However, if this incident is an **EMERGENCY** please call **911**.

Traffic updates will be posted on the NMDOT web site at [www.nmroads.com](http://www.nmroads.com) or call 511. For project information contact Aaron Chavarria, Resident Engineer of the NMDOT Communications Director Mark Slimp (575) 525-7303 or District One Public Information Officer Bridget Spedalieri at (575) 525-7340.

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