

GRIP

- Governor Richardson's Investment Partnership is a \$1.6 billion transportation package that includes 40 highway and infrastructure projects across New Mexico. The New Mexico Rail Runner Express is also part of GRIP. The State Legislature approved the GRIP funding package in 2003.



NMDOT District 3

District Engineer Larry Velasquez

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District 3 serves a population of more than 650,000 and is projected to exceed one million by the year 2025. The boundaries include Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, Bernalillo, Belen, Bosque Farms and Los Lunas.

The district is small in size but contains some of the largest construction projects in the state. Traffic impacts and saving time are priorities in the district because of high traffic volumes in the area. Projects must be completed quickly because of those concerns.

Contractor

- Mountain States Constructors Inc.
 - Owner: Steve Benoit
 - General Manager: Dave Otoski
 - Project Manager: Tracy Basler
 - Superintendent: Mike Brayman

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Partnering to achieve quality and safety
for you the user



Why Now?

- Economics – Continual increases in construction costs
- Safety – Fencing, Bridge Rehabilitation, Soften Curves, Median Barrier, Wildlife, Drainage
- Reconstruction – Interstate system in this area is more than 40 years old and in need of improvements, increased maintenance cost



Scope of Work

- I-40 reconstruction – asphalt
- Bridge rehabilitation – seven bridges
- Drainage improvements
- Barrier wall construction
- Wildlife fencing
- Signing improvements



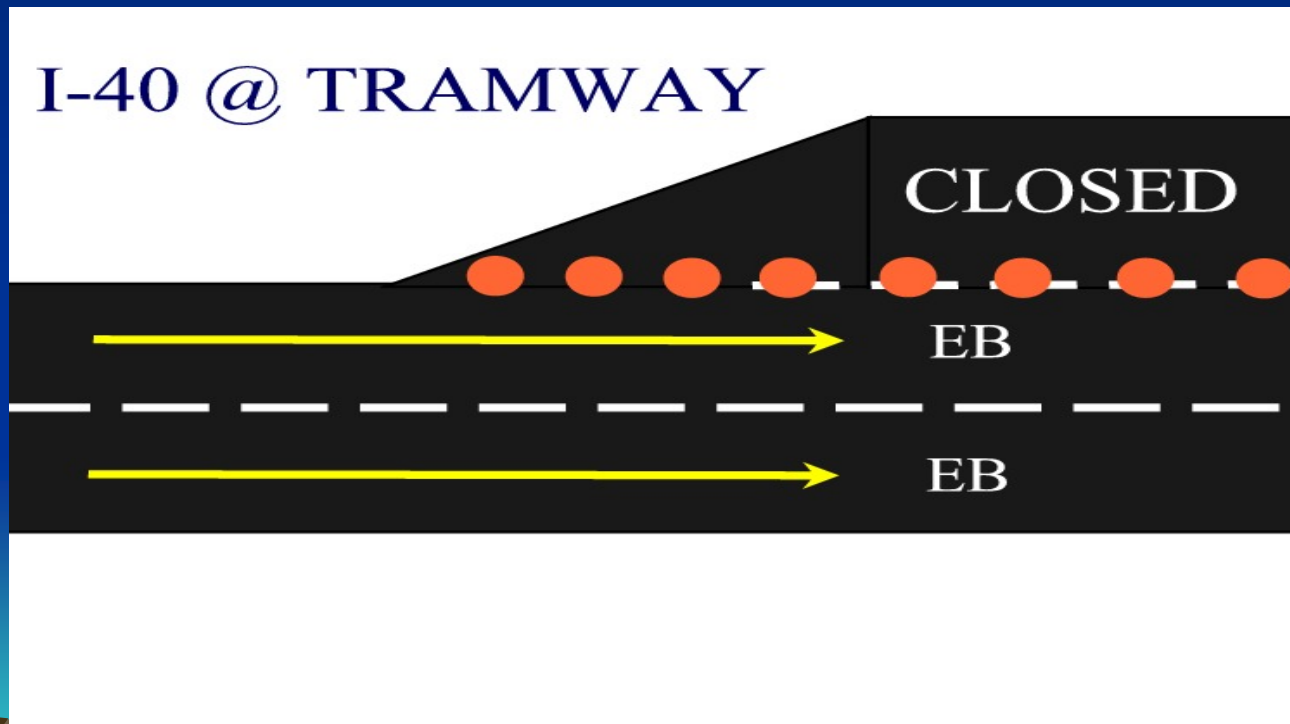
Project Schedule

- July 5th to November 2006 – Reconstruct WB I-40
- Mid July 2006 reduce WB I-40 to 2 – lanes and close WB I-40 on ramp at NM 337
- November 2006 to March 2007– Winter Suspension
(Winter suspension restores traffic to 3 lanes in each direction)
- March to June 2007 – Construct EB I-40



Changes in Traffic

- Lane configurations – lane width
- Ramp closures



Lane/Ramp Closures

- Restricted periods: 5:30 a.m. and 9 p.m. (contractor must maintain two lanes of traffic in each direction during this time)
- Length of restrictions: From south NM 14 underpass (milepost 174) to Coyote Springs overpass (milepost 169)
- WB I-40 Ramp closure @ NM 337: July to November 2006



Alternative Routes

- Access to WB I-40:
- EB I-40:

Old Route 66, NM 333
or Exit ramp at North 14



Proactive Measures

- Asphalt construction: faster, efficient flexible
- Seasonal impacts: winter suspensions; safer for drivers - reduce impacts
- Lane impact fees: \$2,000/hour/lane during restricted periods
- Penalty of \$23,000/each day the traffic is not restored to 3 lanes after 270 days of impact



Upcoming Projects

- July 5, 2006 – SR 14 from I-40 north 4.5 miles
- Spring 2007 – I-40 from mile post 182 to mile post 184 (Mountain Valley Road to Bernalillo County line)
- Mid August to mid September mill and inlay project mile post 12 to 16
- Mid August to mid September repave NM 217 from NM 333 south 5 miles



Summary

- Project duration: 330 calendar days
- 2 lane restriction: 270 working days
- Project cost: \$25.3 million
- Contractor: Mountain States Constructors Inc.
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- GRIP Public Information Officer Marissa Stone
- District 3 Public Information Officer Phil Gallegos
- Public Relations Consultant SpiBuff Inc.



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