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## Update to major bridge repairs near Red Deer

*Red Deer...* Motorists are advised that current repairs to the bridge carrying the Queen Elizabeth II Highway over the railway north of Red Deer have encountered difficulties.

The lane closures previously slated to be removed for weekend traffic May 9-11 will now continue for the duration of this entire weekend commencing Friday, May 9 at noon and will now continue through to Friday, May 16 at noon.

This traffic disruption will affect both northbound and southbound traffic. During the project, traffic will be reduced to one 5.4-metre wide lane in each direction and the speed limit will be reduced to 80 km/h. All vehicles exceeding this width are to use alternate routes.

The highway will be open to unimpeded traffic from May 16 at noon through to Tuesday, May 20 at 6 a.m. From May 20 until the work is completed in late May, temporary lane closures will occur during non-peak hours to complete other bridge repairs.

Motorists are asked to use caution in the area and obey all signs and flag people. Motorists are reminded that fines for speeding are doubled through construction zones when workers are present.

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