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Paving reduces lanes on Highway 1 in and around Medicine Hat

Medicine Hat... Motorists can expect lane closures and speed limit reductions on Highway 1 within Medicine Hat and east of the city.

Paving is underway on the highway's westbound lanes from east of Irvine to Medicine Hat. Traffic will be reduced to one lane at various times and the speed limit will be reduced to 80 km/h through the construction zone.

A short section of the highway will be realigned near the junction with Highway 41 to improve the curve radius. A short detour will be used during construction and the speed will be reduced to 60 km/h through the detour.

On Sept. 7, work begins on both the eastbound and westbound lanes of Highway 1 within the City of Medicine Hat. The work includes rehabilitation of the road's concrete sections and paving the asphalt sections. Motorists can expect lane closures and speed reductions through the construction zone.

The \$15 million project will be completed by Oct. 15, weather permitting.

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

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