



PRESS RELEASE

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The Whatcom County Public Works Department wishes to inform the public that the following roads have Closures or Traffic Limitations due to construction activities. This press release is updated as conditions change.

ROAD CLOSURES

Portal Way – Dakota Creek Bridge 500 Seismic Retrofit Located south of Blaine City limits

This project involves structural upgrades in order to mitigate the risk associated with a seismic event. This closure is scheduled to last through November 2015.

- **The bridge is CLOSED to ALL traffic.** A signed detour route is in effect.
- More project information is available on the web at:
<http://www.whatcomcounty.us/523/Portal-Way-Dakota-Creek-Bridge-500>

TRAFFIC LIMITATIONS

Potter Road - Bridge 148 Replacement Located on the south fork of the Nooksack River-near Van Zandt

Traffic is now on the new bridge. Remaining items include road approach work, stormwater improvements, scour protection and demolition of the old bridge. The project is scheduled to be completed in 2016.

- Traffic Control / Daytime - Single lane, controlled by Flaggers.
- Traffic Control / Evenings & Weekends – Single lane traffic, controlled by a temporary signal. Please use caution.
- Standard daytime working hours are Monday through Friday from approximately 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- More project information is available on the web at:
<http://www.whatcomcounty.us/340/Potter-Road-South-Fork-Nooksack-Bridge-1#148>

Slater Road - Nooksack River - Bridge 512 Painting Located West of Interstate 5

This work consists of painting of the existing steel truss bridge and associated upgrades. The project is scheduled to be completed in October 2015.

- Daytime single lane traffic will be in effect.
- Height restricted to 14'-0". No overheight permits will be issued during construction.
- Please use caution and alternate routes if possible.
- More project information is available on the web at:
<http://www.whatcomcounty.us/516/Slater-Road-Nooksack-River-Bridge-512-Pa>

Slater Road Intersections Located Between Imhof Road and Ferndale Road

This work consists of adding left turn lanes at the intersections of Imhof Road and Ferndale Road. Also included are improvements to drainage and illumination as well as widening of Slater Road between the two intersections. The project is scheduled to be completed in October 2015.

- Single lane flagged traffic will be in effect. Expect long delays.
- **25 MPH** speed limit through the construction site.
- Please use caution and alternate routes if possible.
- More project information is available on the web at:
<http://www.whatcomcounty.us/1445/Slater-Road-Intersections>