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Road realignment project begins this week on Coos Bay North Spit

Knife River Materials is scheduled to begin on-site work this week for the realignment of the TransPacific Lane on Coos Bay's North Spit.

Motorists entering or leaving the North Spit could face intermittent delays with lane closures not to exceed 20 minutes, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, through May 28. The work is scheduled to begin Wednesday, with clearing and grading in the area near where TransPacific intersects with Horsfall Beach Road. Paving is planned in late May.

No lane restrictions are planned between May 28 and Sept. 6.

Motorists are advised to watch for advance warning signs and flaggers. Be advised to slow down and drive with caution since construction workers and heavy equipment will be operating in the area.

The \$1.35 million project is designed to combine two road/rail crossings into a single, signalized crossing to create a safer intersection for visitors to the south end of the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area and nearby industrial sites. The project is funded with grant funds from the Federal Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA:LU) and the Oregon Transportation Investment Act III (OTIA III).

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