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Traffic moves to new detour on 17th Avenue SE in Calgary

Calgary... Motorists are advised that traffic will be shifted onto a temporary detour on 17th Avenue SE in Calgary as part of the Southeast Stoney Trail Project.

This detour affects traffic in the area of 17th Avenue SE and Stoney Trail NE. All traffic on 17th Avenue SE will be shifted north onto the detour while interchange construction occurs south of the current alignment. The Stoney Trail NE roadway has been realigned and motorists will use a new detour to access 17th Avenue SE.

Construction work on 17th Avenue SE is required prior to traffic being switched onto the detour. Motorists travelling on the current 17th Avenue SE roadway will be reduced to one lane on eastbound and two lanes on westbound 17th Avenue SE on Nov. 7 for approximately for one week while crews work on the detour. Two lanes on Stoney Trail NE will be maintained. Access onto Stoney Trail NE and 17th Avenue SE will not be affected.

Traffic will be switched over onto the temporary detour on Nov. 15. Motorists will continue to be restricted to one eastbound lane and two westbound lanes on 17th Avenue SE for one week while remaining detour construction is completed. The existing two lanes on Stoney Trail NE will not be affected and access onto Stoney Trail NE and 17th Avenue SE will be maintained. After this detour work is finished, two lanes in each direction on 17th Avenue SE will be opened.

The detour accommodates overpass construction for the new Stoney Trail – 17th Avenue interchange and will ultimately connect to Stoney Trail NE.

Motorists should use caution in this area and obey all traffic signs, message boards, and flag people. Fines are doubled for speeding in construction zones when workers are present.

The Alberta government signed a 33-year agreement with Chinook Roads Partnership to design, build, operate and partially finance the southeast leg of the Stoney Trail ring road from its junction with 17th Avenue SE, south along the City of Calgary's eastern limit, then west along Highway 22X to east of the Mcleod Trail interchange. The new road will be fully open to traffic in 2013.

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