



Oregon Department of Transportation

NOTICE OF ROAD WORK

August 8, 2016 update



U.S. HWY. 26 CHIP SEAL

(OR Hwy. 19 to Mt. Vernon)

Beginning August 15, 2016, Tidewater Contractors, Inc., working for the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) will be chip sealing a 30-mile section of U.S. 26 (John Day Hwy.) in eastern Oregon between the junction of OR Hwy. 19 (mile post 124.17) and Mt. Vernon (mile post 154.36). A short section of U.S. 395 in Mt. Vernon will also receive a chip seal application beginning at the junction of U.S. 26 and extending north three-tenths of a mile. The chip seal work is expected to take about three weeks to complete with highway striping (line painting) to be applied by September 15. The work is expected to start at the junction of OR 19 and continue east. In addition to the chip seal ODOT crews are constructing scour repair work on the U.S. 26 Beech Creek Bridge located just east of the U.S. 395 intersection in Mt. Vernon.

TRAFFIC IMPACTS: For chip seal activities, travelers can expect up to 20-minute delays, reduced speeds, day and nighttime flaggers, loose rock on the roadway, and pilot cars directing single lane traffic through the work zones that will move along the route. Some loose rock may be on the roadway through mid-September. Construction activities can be expected Monday through Saturday. Traffic impacts for the bridge repair work will be minimal and include occasional lane closures with flaggers at the work site. Please slow down and watch for construction activities in these areas and plan extra travel time. Work zone pilot cars will be equipped with bike racks to help transport bicycle riders through the construction area, upon request.



To accommodate the pavement resurfacing work through Mt. Vernon and Dayville, parking on the highway will not be allowed for about a day while the chip seal operation is being constructed in town. Notices will be posted in the area prior to the no parking restriction.

REQUEST TO RANCHERS: To prevent chip rock adhesion problems due to animal waste on the roadway, ODOT is asking ranchers to keep all cattle and other livestock out of the work zone area during the project. Animals can be driven on highway sections after the chip seal has been applied.



ODOT appreciates your support. This project will help preserve and extend the life of the highway surface.

**SLOW DOWN.
BETTER ROADS AHEAD.**

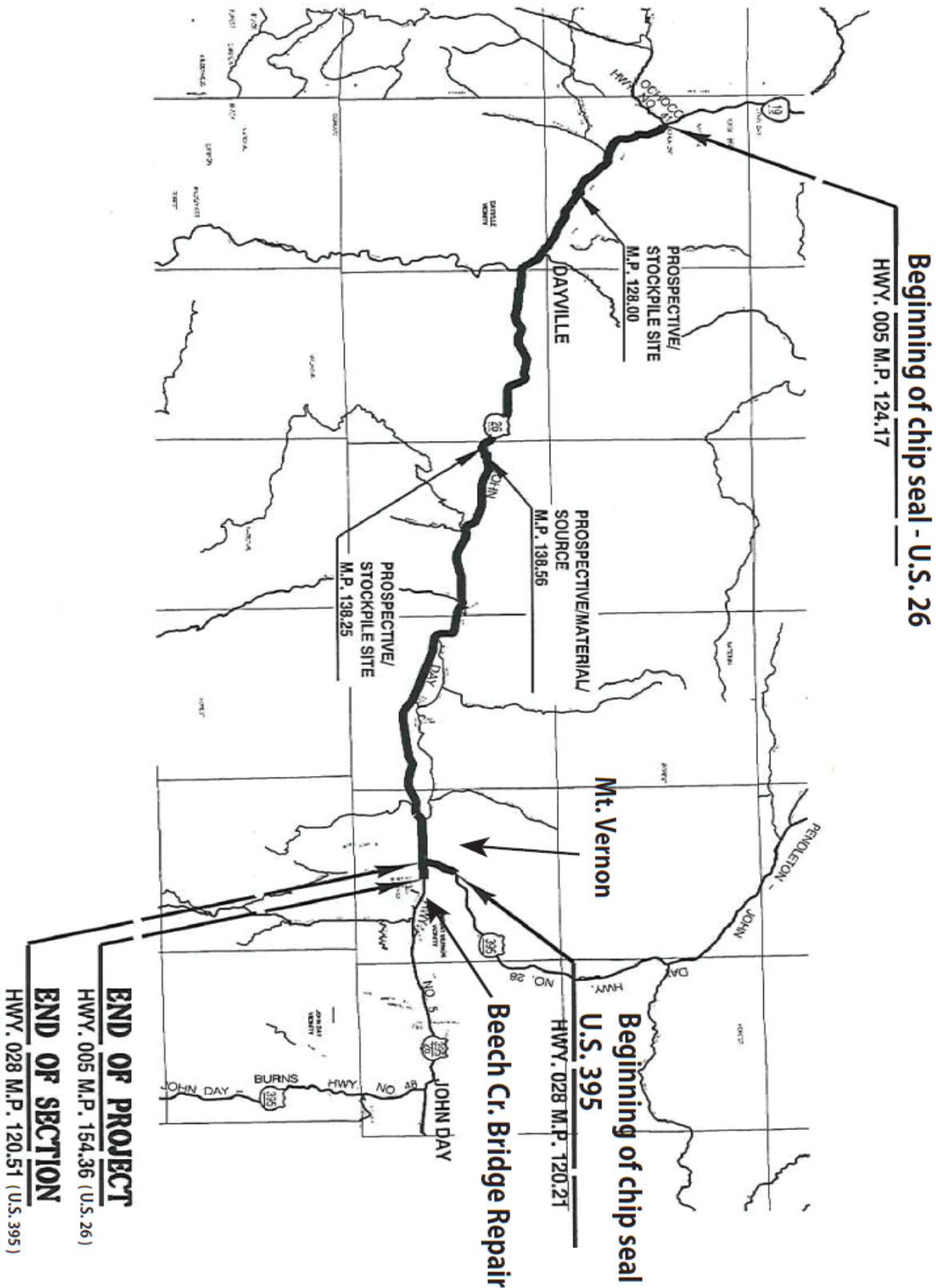
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U.S. HWY. 26 CHIP SEAL PROJECT- SUMMER 2016

Mt. Vernon - OR 19



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