



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

US 191 Back Country Byway Improvements

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Safford District
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Reduced Speed Limits On Black Hills Back Country Byway

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) has begun intersection and median improvements on US 191 at the North Black Hills Back Country Byway turnoff near milepost 160. The \$567,178 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act project includes relocating the existing Back Country Byway turnoff 100 yards to the east, constructing dedicated right and left turn lanes, as well as median improvements.

During construction, posted speed limits on the US 191 Black Hills Back Country Byway will be reduced from 45 mph to 35 mph, due to limited sight distance and construction activity.

Construction will occur weekdays, Monday through Thursday, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Drivers can anticipate reduced speeds through the construction zone and lane restrictions, with one lane of traffic remaining open in each direction. Motorists may experience occasional delays of up to five minutes through the construction zone. The project is scheduled to be completed in late November 2009.

ADOT advises drivers to proceed with caution, obey all posted speed limit signs and be alert for construction equipment and personnel.

If you have any questions, comments or would like to be added to this email-alert list, please contact Priscilla Fernandez, ADOT Consultant, at Priscilla@kaneenpr.com or 1-800-974-9460.

While ADOT strives to inform the public about planned roadway restrictions, during any complex construction project, there is a possibility that unscheduled closures or restrictions may occur. ADOT appreciates your patience as we construct these improvements.

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