

# I-90 EXIT 14 INTERCHANGE

## 27TH ST & HWY 14A/COLORADO BLVD

### SPEARFISH, SD

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Many of you learned the hard way yesterday that the I-90 eastbound off ramp was moved approximately 1 mile to the west. The exit is now right before the crossover that directs traffic to the two-way traffic in the westbound lanes (west of the bridge over Sandstone Hills Drive). Traffic travels on the newly completed eastbound lanes to the new off ramp at Exit 14 where a crossover has been constructed. The Exit 14 off ramp will stay at this location until all lanes are opened on August 3rd for the Sturgis Rally. We apologize for any confusion this may have caused. We also want to remind travelers that it is hazardous, and illegal, for unauthorized vehicles to use the maintenance crossovers. We had numerous near miss accidents yesterday due to travelers turning around in maintenance crossovers after missing the exit.

The contractor has made good progress getting the eastbound lanes paved. The next couple of weeks the contractor will be working to fill in the gaps, paving shoulders, paving the rest of the eastbound on ramp, paving the east half of 27<sup>th</sup> St between Colorado Blvd. and the new bridge, and getting traffic control ready to open lanes for the Sturgis Rally.

Be on the lookout for signing that indicates a change in the traffic configuration. Flaggers will continue to move around to multiple locations throughout the day as the contractor pushes to get paving done before the Sturgis Rally.

The traffic signals at the intersection of 27<sup>th</sup> St. and Colorado Blvd. will be reactivated for the Sturgis Rally. The contractor will temporarily activate the signals in the next couple weeks leading up to the Sturgis Rally to test the signal timing. The on and off ramps will continue to be a three-way stop configuration whether by flashing red overhead lights or Stop signs through the Sturgis Rally. Flaggers will be on stand-by to facilitate heavy traffic movements.

Weekly project meetings are open to the public every Thursday at 2:00 PM in the Hudson Hall (Room C), 222 W Hudson St, Spearfish, SD.

Road construction information for this project can be found at the following links as it becomes available:

<http://www.sddot.com/travelers/projects/Exit14/>

[www.safetravelusa.com/sd](http://www.safetravelusa.com/sd)

Dial 511

Construction progress on the new bridge



Removing the old cross-over for the eastbound off ramp



Concrete paving approaching the bridge from the west



New location of the Exit 14 eastbound off ramp



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