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## Bridge work temporarily detours Highway 16

The [Century Road overpass project](#) to improve safety and access to Spruce Grove will redirect Highway 16 traffic for a few hours on Tuesday, July 2.

To protect the safety of the public and crews, Highway 16 traffic will be redirected between 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. via the Century Road access ramps. This short-term closure provides a safe working environment as scaffolding is constructed to facilitate bridge repairs on the Century Road overpass.

Speed limits on Highway 16 will be reduced to 50km/h through the work zone. Commuters are encouraged to check [Highway 16 traffic volume near Century Road](#) using camera feeds provided by [511 Alberta](#).

To minimize disruption for motorists, the work is being done after the long weekend and outside of the morning and evening rush hours. Conducting the platform construction during the day enables the crews to complete the work in a safer, more efficient and less costly fashion.

The bridge improvements for [Century Road](#) over Highway 16 are a joint project by Alberta Transportation and the City of Spruce Grove to improve traffic capacity and safety in the area. Work is expected to be complete by October 15, weather permitting. When finished, the project will add a second southbound lane on the bridge, replace and widen the bridge deck, create new dual left turn lanes from westbound Highway 16 to southbound Century Road. This investment will increase safety for all motorists, improve traffic flow for drivers entering and leaving Spruce Grove, and increase the longevity of this important interchange.

Alberta Transportation has a rigorous maintenance program that protects and maintains our road investments. This project is one of many that deliver on the Alberta government's commitment to strategic rehabilitation of our transportation infrastructure.

Roadside signage will be used to notify motorists of further traffic changes throughout the project. Drivers are reminded to obey all flag persons, signs and signals. Fines for speeding are doubled in construction zones when workers are present.

Up-to-date road information, including traffic delays, is a click or a call away. Call 5-1-1 toll-free, visit [511.alberta.ca](http://511.alberta.ca) or follow us on Twitter [@511Alberta](https://twitter.com/511Alberta) to get on the road to safer travel.

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