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Temporary traffic restrictions planned on Highland Street in West Duluth

Motorists who use Highland Street in West Duluth may want to look for an alternate route next week. Sections of Highland Street between Skyline Parkway and 57th Avenue West will be reduced to a single lane beginning Monday, March 18, at 8 a.m., and lasting the week, while soil borings are done along the roadway.

Officially known as CSAH 89, Highland is slated for major reconstruction in 2014. Next week's preliminary geotechnical investigations are in preparation for that project.

Recognizing that this stretch has seen an increase in traffic due to the closure of Haines Road, St. Louis County Public Works is bringing in three drill rigs to work simultaneously in order to speed up the process and minimize the inconvenience to motorists. Drivers are asked to use a different route or be patient, and to always use caution in work zones. Workers with signs will be onsite to direct and control traffic.

St. Louis County Public Works will be reconstructing CSAH 89 from Cody Street to Skyline Parkway next year. Improvements to this 1.5 mile stretch will include a new road base, pavement, curb and gutter, storm sewer and sidewalks, plus a bridge over Keene Creek. Additionally, the five-leg intersection where Highland Street, Skyline Parkway and Vinland Street meet will be converted into a standard four-leg intersection. A public information meeting on the project is expected to be held next month. Details on that will be announced once they are finalized.

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