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Interstate 90, Exit 59 Westbound On-Ramp Opening and Diverging Diamond Interchange Traffic Configuration Implemented

RAPID CITY, S.D. – The Interstate 90 westbound on-ramp at exit 59 (North LaCrosse Street) will be reopened to all vehicle traffic Thursday, April 27, 2023, at approximately 1 p.m. The traffic signals on North LaCrosse Street at I-90 (Exit 59) are planned to be activated and the interchange will begin functioning in each direction as a one-lane diverging diamond interchange (DDI).

Since this configuration is the first interchange of its type in South Dakota, motorists and pedestrians can navigate the interchange by following the signing and signals, while being aware of construction workers and equipment in vicinity.

There will continue to be on-going construction activities with slight impacts to traffic over the next month while the final pavement markings are installed and final surfacing is completed. This work is part of the of the project to reconstruct the interchange on I-90 at exit 59 (North LaCrosse Street). The prime contractor on this \$17 million project is Complete Contracting of Rapid City, SD. The completion date of the DDI project is June 2023.

Find complete project information at https://www.i90lacrosseddi.com/.

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