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## TRAFFIC ADVISORY

### Labor Day weekend: Be alert, drive slow in work zones

#### *ODOT highway construction suspended for holiday weekend*

The Oregon Department of Transportation will suspend most construction work that impacts traffic lanes between **noon Friday, Sept. 3, and midnight Monday night, Sept. 6** to observe the Labor Day holiday weekend.

While construction projects are suspended, ODOT encourages travelers to use caution when traveling in work zones. Oregon is embarked on the highest level of highway construction in more than 50 years. Work zones will still be marked and require slower speeds. Motorist need to be aware of the possibility of highway shoulder closures or construction activity behind barriers during the weekend. Even when workers are not present, **all work zone speed limits still apply and fines double.**

The Labor Day holiday period is the second deadliest on Oregon roads. On average, seven traffic-related deaths occur over the Labor Day weekend. To reduce crashes, injuries and associated deaths during the weekend, OSP, county sheriff offices and city police agencies will step-up enforcement efforts Friday afternoon through Monday as part of the national "[Drunk Driving. Over the Limit. Under Arrest.](#)" campaign.

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