Karcher to Franklin

The Idaho Transportation Department has finalized improvements to Interstate 84 between the Karcher Interchange and Franklin Boulevard Interchange in Nampa. The improvements are part of a major project addressing the needs on I-84 from Nampa into Caldwell. The work is expected to improve safety, address congestion and benefit the regional economy for many years.

**DESIGN PLANS INCLUDE:**

- Adding a third lane to both directions of I-84.
- Adding auxiliary lanes to both directions of I-84 between interchanges. Auxiliary lanes allow traffic to travel between two exits without merging with through traffic.
- Replacing the Northside Interchange with a Single Point Urban Interchange for safer, more efficient travel. The interchange type exists at the Ten Mile, Meridian, Broadway and Vista interchanges in the Treasure Valley.
- Rebuilding the Karcher Road Overpass, railroad/irrigation canal bridges, and the Mason Creek structure.
- At the Franklin Boulevard Interchange, widening the eastbound off-ramp and modifying the signals to allow two left-turn lanes onto the westbound on-ramp.

**SCHEDULE:**

ITD has finalized the design plans for this project. The first construction project will begin in spring 2019.

**FUNDING:**

Improvements to I-84 between the Karcher and Franklin interchanges are expected to cost $150 million for design, right-of-way and construction.