

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Girders to be Installed at McOrmond and College Interchange**

Construction milestones are about to be reached on two new interchanges currently under construction in Saskatoon. Both interchanges are ready for the installation of girders - concrete structures that support the bridge deck. 56 girders will first be placed over the eastbound and westbound lanes of College Drive at McOrmond Drive.

“Installation at this site will take approximately three weeks,” says Bryan Zerebeski, Project Manager, Saskatoon Interchange Project. “The girders were manufactured in Alberta. Once on site, a 250 tonne crane will immediately lift them into place.”

The girders range between 29 and 38 meters in length and are 1.2 meters wide by 1 meter high. Installation will begin at the McOrmond and College site on Monday, March 26 and traffic restrictions will be in place on Highway 5, east of the temporary intersection during girder installation. Work on the interchange at McOrmond Drive and College Drive began in April of 2017.

Construction of the new interchange at Boychuk Drive and Highway 16 has also been underway since April of 2017. Girders will be installed at that site once installations are complete at McOrmond and College.

The speed limit through both construction sites is 60 km/h. Drivers are reminded to expect delays.

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