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SR 77 to close weeknights through January 2017

The Arizona Department of Transportation will begin rock blasting operations on State Route 77 south of Globe on Wednesday, Oct. 19, requiring overnight closures of the highway on weeknights through January 2017.

The \$3 million project will consist of removing rock slopes adjacent to SR 77 approximately 18 miles south of Globe and creating a rock fall containment ditch; widening the existing shoulders and adding concrete barrier; and repaving the section of highway.

Rock blasting operations require ADOT to close SR 77 from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. Sundays through Thursdays. The highway will remain open overnight on Fridays, Saturdays and holidays.

The highway will be closed in the Dripping Springs area at milepost 150, south of the work area, and at milepost 158 to the north. Drivers can use State Route 177 and US 60 as alternate routes during work hours to get around the closures.

ADOT works to inform the public about planned highway restrictions, but it's possible that unscheduled closures or restrictions might occur because of weather or other factors. For the latest highway conditions around the state, visit the ADOT Traveler Information Center at www.az511.gov or call 511, except while driving.

For more information about this project, please call C.T. Revere, ADOT Senior Community Relations Officer, at 1.520.705.3574 or email at crevere@azdot.gov.