

Construction to tie up much of Hwy. 89

Caltrans intends to resume work on Highway 89 along the West Shore starting next week.

The \$70.1 million water quality improvement project is building new drainage facilities to collect and treat stormwater runoff. It includes adding curbs and gutters, widening the highway and repaving an eight-mile section of Highway 89 between Tahoma and Tahoe City.

This season the focus will be on the remaining four miles between Eagle Rock and Granlibakken Road.

Caltrans has two other water quality improvement projects on Highway 89 that will be in construction this summer. A \$24.4 million project from the Y in South Lake Tahoe to Cascade Road, north of Camp Richardson, is in its second season of construction and will be completed this fall.

Picking up where that project ends, the final segment of Highway 89 to be rebuilt for drainage improvements will be from Cascade Road to just north of the Eagle Falls viaduct over Emerald Bay. The \$13 million project will take two seasons to construct.

Highway 89 from Tahoe City to Alpine Meadows Road will be repaved this summer as part of ongoing preventive maintenance.

Utility work on Highway 50 in South Lake Tahoe will continue this season between the Y and Trout Creek. The utility work is in advance of a Caltrans EIP project that will begin next season and run through 2019.