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1300 South Bridge to open ahead of schedule

SALT LAKE CITY – The 1300 South Bridge that stretches from 500 West to 700 West will be opening for traffic as early as Wednesday, July 22, two months ahead of the estimated construction schedule.

Salt Lake City and the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) are partnering to rehabilitate the bridge to meet safety and seismic requirements and to improve pedestrian mobility. The bridge has been closed since March 2015 and was estimated to open in September 2015.

Salt Lake City and UDOT saw an opportunity to open the bridge early to reduce impacts to drivers and pedestrians travelling in the area. Drivers can expect intermittent lane closures on off peak hours throughout the remaining construction period.

To improve mobility, the project is widening the bridge three feet by adding an additional path for bicyclists and pedestrians. The \$6.8 million construction costs are federally funded with a Salt Lake City match. For more information about the project, visit <http://www.slcgov.com/engineering/1300-South-Viaduct>.

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