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**Iowa DOT Information Impacting Travel in the Benton CSD:**

The Iowa Department of Transportation has provided the following information that will impact travel in the Benton Community School District starting in the spring of 2018. As a school district, we want students and parents to be aware of this information well in advance of this road construction work:

**The construction of a new interchange at [US 30/218](#) will begin in April of 2018. The work will include a new bridge over US 30 along with new ramps and loops for the interchange. US 30 will also have an additional two lanes added between US 218 and 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue. US 218 will be closed just north of US 30 for the work. It is anticipated that the closure period will be from April 2018 to October of 2019. During the closure period a detour will use Benton County Road V66 to Van Horne and E44 back to US 218. The long closure period is due to large amount of fill needed for the approach to the bridge over US 30 and the associated settlement time of the underlying soil.**