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The date for the start of a Highway 6 resurfacing project has been tentatively set for Sept. 4. Following a preconstruction conference between the Nebraska Department of Roads and the contractor, Simon Contractors and Subsidiaries of Cheyenne, Wyo., the date was moved back from the original Aug. 20 start.

Kurt Vosburg, District Engineer for the Department of Roads, said the contractor, which has an office in North Platte, is running a little behind on a current project.

He said the resurfacing of Highway 6 should be completed by the first week of October.

The project is 10 miles long.

Construction will begin at S15A at the corner of Highway 6 and Broadway Street and continue east to Enders Lake Golf Course.

At the same time, the portion of Highway 61 between the Highway 6-61 junction and East 12th Street will also be resurfaced.

The company will mill off one and one-half inches of the asphalt and replace it with two inches of asphalt on both lanes and the shoulders.

The cost of the project is \$2,398,184. Vosburg said the "actual amount may be slightly different. The amount of asphalt needed for patching may make a difference."

At the junction of Highway 6-61 pavement markings for traffic islands will also be restored.

The last time this particular stretch of highway was resurfaced, Vosburg said, was 1997.