M8 westbound to close overnight for five nights to facilitate resurfacing work

BEAR Scotland, Transport Scotland's operating company, is set to resurface a section of the M8 ahead of Junction 3 westbound.

The work will take place over five nights between the hours of 20:30 and 06:00, starting on the night of Monday 15 July to Saturday 20 July 2024. No works will take place at the weekend.

For safety reasons, the M8 westbound will be closed at Junction 2. A signed diversion route will guide traffic via the M8 Junction 2 westbound offslip, M9 Junction 1 northbound offslip, A89 westbound, and A899 southbound. Drivers will then re-join the M8 at Junction 3 via the M8 Junction 3 westbound onslip.

This diversion will add an estimated eight minutes and 1.8 miles to affected journeys.

Tommy Deans, BEAR Scotland's South East Network Manager, said: "These surfacing improvements will improve ride quality and safety for motorists using this section of the M8.

"A carriageway closure is essential for safety, however we've scheduled the works overnight to minimise disruption.

"If you do need to travel during these works, please allow some extra time for your journey." Consultation has been carried out with emergency services and other relevant stakeholders to share information about the project in advance.

Real time journey information is available from Traffic Scotland at <u>www.traffic.gov.scot</u>, or on X at @trafficscotland.