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Recovery Act funds paving work for I-90

Gov. Chris Gregoire and the Washington State Department of Transportation awarded Columbia Asphalt & Gravel, Inc., of Yakima the contracts to repave Interstate 90 (I-90) near Keechelus Dam and I-90 west of Ellensburg. Funded through the [American Recovery and Reinvestment Act](#) (ARRA), these are the first federally funded recovery transportation contracts to be awarded in the state.

“WSDOT is doing an exemplary job in accelerating the bid process and getting projects like these launched,” Gregoire said. “This is another great example of how Washington is getting federal stimulus money flowing through our state’s economy in an accountable way and creating jobs to put paychecks in wallets.”

Construction will begin on both of these ARRA-funded projects this spring and summer along with the first contract of the [I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Project](#). The Recovery Act will also fund three other pavement rehabilitation projects on I-90 and traffic camera upgrades along Snoqualmie Pass. WSDOT will take the first of many needed future steps to improve communication, add lanes, and rehabilitate the 35 to 50 year old deteriorating concrete pavement on I-90.

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