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Weather



Mostly cloudy

Today: Mostly cloudy. Chance of showers. Highs around 52. Lows near 45.
Friday: Partly cloudy. Highs around 55. Lows near 35.
Saturday: Partly cloudy. Highs near 63. Lows around 48.
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In brief

Driver charged in teen's death

ST. IGNACE (AP) — A 40-year-old man faces charges in the death of an Upper Peninsula teenager who was killed in a head-on crash after playing in his high school's homecoming football game and attending the dance.

Darrell Lovegrove faces charges of causing death while driving drunk and third offense drunken driving. Seventeen-year-old Mitch Snyder died in the crash around midnight Friday after taking his girlfriend home in the St. Ignace area, just over the Mackinac Bridge.

Snyder signs insurance bill

LANSING (AP) — Michigan drivers pulled over by the police will be able to show proof of their auto insurance on a phone or another mobile device instead of having to provide a hard copy under legislation signed by Gov. Rick Snyder.

The law takes effect in three months.

Snyder, who signed it Wednesday, says the goal is to modernize government and make everyday life easier for residents.

Gas watch

Today's gas prices at 8:30 a.m.

Murphy USA	\$2.54
Freedom	\$2.59
Holiday	\$2.59
EZ Stop Mobil	\$2.59
Caspian Marathon	\$2.49
Northside Krist	\$2.59
Kingsford Self Serve	\$2.54
Island Resort Store	\$2.53

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Refinery work spikes gas prices

CHICAGO — Midwest motorists may be doing double takes at the pump.

Gasoline prices in the region have been rising as refiners shut down for maintenance or unplanned repairs, crimping gasoline supply.

GasBuddy.com reports that 12 refiners in the region are currently undergoing work: three each in Illinois and Ohio, two in Minnesota, and one each in Indiana, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Kentucky. The work varies in scope at each refinery and may last several weeks or longer.

A gain in crude oil prices this week is adding insult to injury, and a combination of higher oil prices and reduced gasoline output was expected to hike retail gaso-

line prices as much as 10 to 30 cents per gallon in a handful of states, including Michigan and Wisconsin.

While the pain at the pump may stick around for a few weeks, gasoline prices will remain far below their

summer peak price. It is widely expected that over the next several weeks, refiners will finish seasonal planned work and resolve unplanned shutdowns as well, which will then lead to prices falling before Thanksgiving.



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THE DICKINSON COUNTY Road Commission and the city of Kingsford held a ribbon cutting ceremony Wednesday for the Pine Mountain Road-Westwood Avenue repaving project. Contractors Bacco Construction Co. and Gallagher Asphalt and legislative representatives also attended.

From left, are Sonya Flanagan, Gary Proudfit, Diane Nichols, Sandra Lindholm, Tim Flanagan, Danielle Branz,, Jim Caszatt, Traci Jahnke, Dave Brisson, John Fortier, Dennis Baldinelli, Tony Edlebeck, Brent Swanson, Lance Malburg, James Harris and Tony Gretz.

Hot recycling: Dickinson project brings innovative paving method to U.P.

By EVAN REID
Staff Writer

IRON MOUNTAIN — A ribbon cutting ceremony was held Wednesday to mark completion of a Dickinson County road construction project that used an environmentally-friendly method that's new to the Upper Peninsula.

In August, workers began using hot-in-place asphalt recycling to upgrade the 4.2-mile corridor of Pine Mountain Road-Westwood Avenue from U.S. 2 in Breitung Township to Brookfield Street in Kingsford.

This is an all-season route eligible for federal aid, as it accesses the cities of Iron Mountain and Kingsford, as well as Ford Airport, Pine Mountain Resort, two school districts, and several Kingsford industries and businesses.

Hot-in-place asphalt recycling involves heating the existing pavement to several hundred degrees, mixing it with an oil or reju-

PROJECT SAVINGS

- Construction costs lowered 40 percent
- 14 fewer days of lane closures
- 500 fewer gallons of heating oil

Estimated by Dickinson County Road Commission

venating agent, then paving it flat. One hundred percent of the existing pavement is recycled, reducing the need for new materials.

The method also speeds up construction by eliminating the traditional processes of crushing or removing the existing pavement and grading the gravel base.

Project coordinators estimated that — had it been completed with the standard crush, shape, and pave

method — the work would have required double the number of days with added lane closures.

For this project, a small amount of new warm-mix asphalt was utilized for the surface.

The warm-mix asphalt does not require as much fossil fuel burning as the traditional hot-mix asphalt, and it also reduces workers' exposure to fuel emissions, fumes and odors.

Along with the asphalt work, other miscellaneous items, such as gravel shouldering and pavement marking, were included.

The total cost of the project, a joint effort between the road commission and the city of Kingsford, was \$790,000.

Costs for engineering, documentation, and testing came to \$30,000, and the remaining \$760,000 went towards the actual construction work.

Officials noted that the project, at about \$189,000 a mile, resulted in a 40 percent savings compared to traditional crush, shape, and pave methods, which they estimated would have cost about \$380,000 per mile for construction alone.

The project was 80 percent funded by a Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) Accelerated Innovation Deployment (AID) Demonstration grant. A local match was provided by the city of Kingsford and the county road commission.

Officials noted that Dickinson County-wide road millage dollars were used in this project.

Bacco Construction Co. of Iron Mountain was the prime contractor and Gallagher Asphalt Corporation of Thornton, Ill., was the subcontractor.

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State proceeds with U.P. prison changes

Kinross Correctional Facility to close; upgraded Hiawatha to take on its name

KINCHELOE, Mich. (AP) — The Michigan Department of Corrections is moving forward with reopening the Hiawatha Correctional Facility after making about \$8.9 million in upgrades at the Upper Peninsula facility.

The department determined it was less expensive to upgrade security at Hiawatha, which closed in 2009, than to make similar changes at nearby Kinross Correctional Facility. The Kinross facility will be closed.

Department spokeswoman Holly Kramer said that before month's end the state plans to empty Kinross, which houses about 1,600 inmates. She says about 1,280 will move to the Hiawatha prison.

Kramer says the rest will move to the nearby Chippewa Correctional Facility, where about 300 beds and 23 employees were added.

The Hiawatha prison will take on the Kinross name once the move is complete.



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