# Work starts, patience urged

directions, but it will probably move slower," Maki said.

companied with heavy construction equipment, work crews and traffic slowdowns and the lengs, motorists, should be knowledgeable and fully prepared.

"For motorists, there will always be two lanes of traffic open in both

new lanes of temporary pavement separated from westbound traffic by a concrete median barrier, Maki

THE FOUR new eastbound lanes should be completed by late summer 1989 when traffic will be shifted to

the new lanes in the third phase of work. The four new eastbound lanes will be separated — two lanes in each direction — by a concrete barrier while the former vestbound lanes are removed and new lanes constructed. The work should be completed by fall 1898 when the eight new lanes should be open to traffic, Maki said. Though the motorist information program is similar to last summer's Lodgeability program, the 1-86 widening in Farmington Hills and Southfeld won't have a name of its own. But the project is considered a part of MDOTs "Mobility '88" construction programs. "Next year, it will be known as "Mobility '88" said Jack Pyle, MDOT communications director.

for.

Brochures detailing construction will be available later this month. Motorists can keep daily pace with construction tie-ups and other information by calling SEMCOG's het-line, 557-7696. Civic, community or homeowners groups interested in a public presentation of the construction project may call Brigit Hassig at SEMCOG, 951-4266.

"If motorists are patient and know in advance, there should be minimal traffic disruption," said Kim Mitch-ell, SEMCOG communications spe-cialist.

Above all, Mitchell said, motorists should remember that the speed limit throughout the construction zone is 45 mph.

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## Road projects plentiful

By Joenne Mailszewski staff writer Construction Staff writer Construction is expected to begin staff writer Construction preparation begins on 1-696 and the Orchard Lake Road interchange, local construction projects are apt to put an additional crimp in motorists driving routes and habits.

"The (Oakland County) road commission will work with us in a reactionary position," said Tom Biascell, Farmignton Hills public services director.
The need for signs and any other help, however, won't be known until traffic becomes affected by the Le96 construction, he added. But motorists, especially Farmington Public Schools buses, may be further inconvenienced by the following local road projects:

• Widening of 11 Mile and Michelle to five lates in all directions. The Dakhand County Road vectors with the school district's buses, Blasell said.

• Widening of eastbound and westbound Nine Mile, which is exceeded to begin within two weeks and be completed by the end of a westbound Nine Mile, which is exceeded to begin within two weeks and be completed by the end of a westbound Nine Mile, which is exceeded to begin within two weeks and be completed by the end of a westbound Nine Mile, which is exceeded to begin within two weeks and be completed by the end of a westbound Nine Mile, which is exceeded to begin within two weeks and be completed by the end of a westbound Nine Mile, between the projects in a westbound Nine Mile, between the projects with the school district's buses, Blasell said.

• Resurfacing of 14 Mile and Mil



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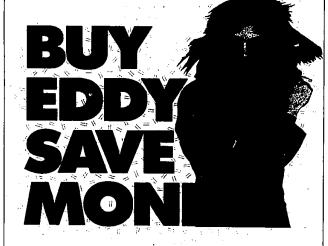
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