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Statement Filing Delayed For I-40

An environmental impact statement of several proposals for completing the missing link of Interstate 40 will be ready by June 15 rather than in March, a state transportation official said vesterday.

Public hearings on the proposals, therefore, will be put off from May until late

summer.

Robert Odle, a development engineer for the state Department of Transportation, said transportation officials first thought an old impact statement could be revised, but later were informed "that we have to practically prepare another state-

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