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(Washington, D.C.)—The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) will temporarily close lanes, ramps, and shoulders on the following roadways to perform construction activities along and near the I-295 / DC 295 corridor.

The following lane, ramp, and shoulder closures will be in place daily from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and nightly from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. from December 6 to December 13, 2021, weather permitting.

- Firth Sterling Avenue SE single left or right lane northbound/southbound between South Capitol Street SE and Howard Road SE. On December 11, 2021 closures will start as early as 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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- South Capitol Street SE/SW single left or right lanes north/southbound between Firth Sterling Avenue SE and N Street SE. In addition, the left lane will be closed starting on December 11 at 6:00 a.m. to December 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.
- Suitland Parkway SE single left or right lanes east/westbound between Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE and South Capitol Street SE. In addition, (1) Suitland Parkway between Firth Sterling Avenue SE and South Capitol Street SE will be closed from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. the following morning on December 6 and 7, 2021; and (2) Eastbound Suitland Parkway between Firth Sterling Avenue SE and MLK Jr. Avenue SE will be closed on December 11 from 3:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

The following lane, ramp, and shoulder closures will be in place daily from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and nightly from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., from December 6 to December 13, 2021, weather permitting.

- I-295 northbound off-ramp closure to Suitland Parkway SE (Exit 4). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.*
- I-295 southbound off-ramp closure to South Capitol Street SE / Suitland Parkway (Exit 4). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.*

- I-295 northbound on-ramp closure (or ramp narrows) from westbound Suitland Parkway weekday/night and weekend (December 11 from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.*

The following lane, ramp, and shoulder closures will be in place from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and nightly from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. from December 6 to December 13, 2021, weather permitting.

- Potomac Avenue SE/SW single lane closure between First Street SE and Second Street SW (including sidewalk closures and lane narrows). Daily sidewalk closures may start from 7:00 a.m. and continue to 7:00 p.m. The sidewalk on the north side of Potomac Avenue SW will be closed from December 06 to December 13, 2021. ***On days and nights during events at Nationals Park and/or Audi Field, lane closures will be lifted from two hours before the start of games to two hours.***
- Howard Road SE single left or right lane and sidewalk closures between Firth Sterling Avenue SE and South Capitol Street SE weekdays. In addition, Howard Road SE between Firth Sterling Avenue SE to east of the WMATA Metro Parking Garage will be closed at night from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. the following morning for bridge work on December 8 and 9, 2021. ***(Access to the WMATA Anacostia Station Parking Garage will be available at all times via a signed detour route.***
- Q Street SW single left or right lane closures. In addition, single lane of Q Street SW from east of Half Street SW is closed continuously.
- Barry Road SE
- St Elizabeths Avenue SE single right lane
- R St SW single lane (and sidewalk) closures between Half St SW and S Capitol St SW.
- Anacostia Drive single lane closure from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (flagged)

The following lane closures will be in place on I-295 northbound weekdays from December 6 to December 13, 2021, weather permitting. ***On days and nights during events at Nationals Park and/or Audi Field, lane closures will be lifted from two hours before the start of games to one hour after the start of games.***

- Single left or right lanes between I-695 (Exits 1B-C) and South Capitol Street / Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2) from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily.
- Up to two left or right lanes between I-695 (Exits 1B-C) and South Capitol Street / Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2) will be closed weeknights 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. next morning and weekend (December 11) from 6:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The following lane closures will be in place on I-295 southbound weekdays from December 6 to December 13, 2021, weather permitting. ***On days and nights during events at Nationals Park and/or Audi Field, lane closures will be lifted from one hour before the end of games to two hours after the end of games.***

- Single left or right lanes between I-695 (Exits 1B-C) and South Capitol Street / Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2) from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. next day.
- Up to two left or right lanes between I-695 (Exits 1B-C) and South Capitol Street / Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2) weeknights 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. next morning.

The following roadway have been closed for an extended period. *Detours are provided for all full closures, and local access maintained where necessary.*

- I-295 northbound on-ramp from eastbound Suitland Parkway SE
- I-295 southbound off-ramp to Howard Road SE
- Q Street SW between Half Street SW and South Capitol Street SW
- Half Street SW between Potomac Avenue SW and Q Street SW have been closed for an extended period.

These closures are required for construction activities associated with the following DDOT projects:

South Capitol Street Corridor Project - Frederick Douglass Memorial Bridge

The South Capitol Street Corridor Project calls for replacing the Frederick Douglass Memorial Bridge and transforming related sections of the urban freeway into a beautiful scenic boulevard that increases pedestrian and vehicular safety, improves multimodal transportation options, increases community accessibility and supports economic development on both sides of the Anacostia River.

I-295 / Malcolm X Avenue SE Interchange Improvement Project

The project includes the reconstruction of the I-295 interchange with Malcolm X Avenue SE, including ramps and a new access roadway to the St. Elizabeth's West Campus. The planned improvements will be made between Firth Sterling Avenue SE, on the north, and the South Capitol Street/Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue SE intersection to the south. The project will provide transportation improvements to serve the proposed Department of Homeland Security headquarters consolidation on the St. Elizabeth's West Campus.

Motorists are urged to use caution as they travel in these areas, to anticipate moderate delays, and to be mindful of construction personnel.

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For more information about DDOT's ongoing efforts to improve the 295 corridor, visit <http://www.improving295dc.com>.

The mission of the District Department of Transportation (DDOT) is to enhance the quality of life for District residents and visitors by ensuring that people, goods, and information move efficiently and safely with minimal adverse impact on residents and the environment.

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