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## **DDOT to Reduce Speed Limit in I-295 Corridor through 2021**

(Washington, DC) -- The District Department of Transportation will decrease the speed limit in the I-295 corridor, beginning south of exit 1 and ending south of East Capitol Street SE, from 50 miles per hour to 40 miles per hour, effective May 24, 2019.

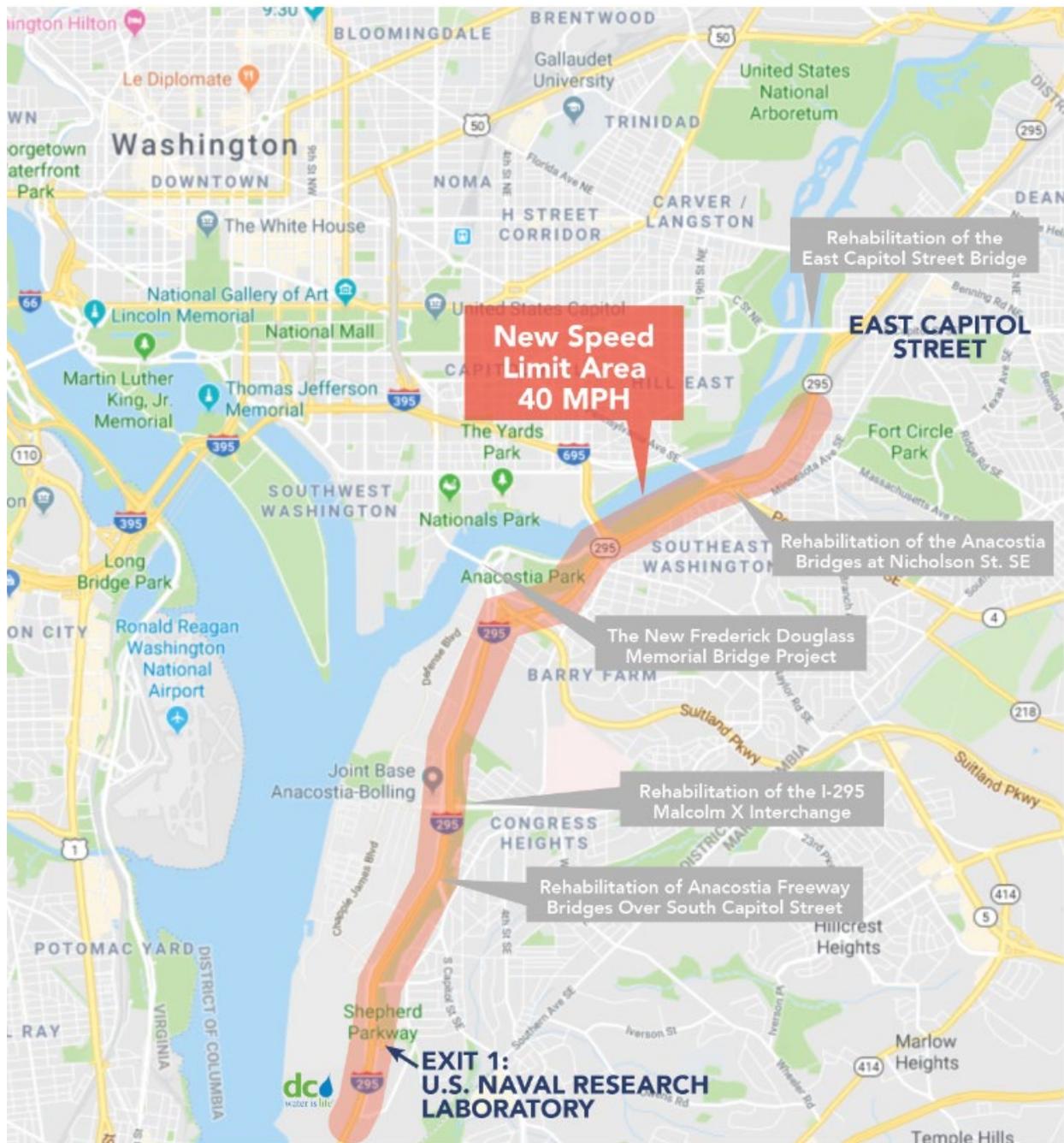
The decreased speed limit will protect work zone personnel and motorists traveling in the corridor while [DDOT completes work on five major projects to improve the District's infrastructure](#):

The New Frederick Douglass Memorial Bridge Project (South Capitol Bridge Project)

- Rehabilitation of the I-295/Malcolm X Interchange
- Rehabilitation of the Anacostia Bridges at Nicholson Street, SE
- Rehabilitation of Anacostia Freeway Bridges Over South Capitol Street
- Rehabilitation of East Capitol Street Bridge

The 40 mph speed limit will be in effect through the end of construction in December 2021.

DDOT will install message boards and signage alerting motorists about the reduced speed limit. Drivers are advised to stay alert while traveling through these locations and to be observant of personnel.



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