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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. Due to the dynamic nature of construction projects, the start of these lane, ramp, and shoulder closures may be delayed or postponed based on weather, field conditions, and/or other construction activities. The following represents the geographic and timeframe limits of these planned activities.

I-295 Northbound: Laboratory Road / US Naval Research Lab (Exit 1) to I-695 to I-395 Downtown (Exit 5A)

- Single left or right lane/shoulder – **5:00 am to 8:00 pm, Monday, 7/20 through Friday, 7/24/20**
- Up to two left or right lanes – **8:00 pm to 5:00 am (next day), Monday, 7/20 through Saturday morning 7/25/20**
- Up to two left or right lanes – **5:00 am, Saturday, 7/25 to 5:00 am, Monday morning, 7/27/20**

I-295 Southbound: I-695 (Exits 1B-C) to Laboratory Road / US Naval Research Lab (Exit 1)

- Single left or right lane/shoulder – **6:00 am to 9:00 pm, Monday, 7/20 through Friday, 7/24/2020**
- Up to two left or right lanes - **9:00 pm to 6:00 am (next day), Monday, 7/20 through Saturday morning 7/25/20**
- Up to two left or right lanes – **6:00 am, Saturday 7/25 to 6:00 am, Monday morning, 7/27/20**

South Capitol Street, SE/SW: Firth Sterling Avenue, SE to N Street, SE

- Single left or right lane (NB or SB) - **9:30 am to 4:00 pm daily, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**
- Single left or right lanes (NB or SB) - **6:30 pm to 6:30 am (next day), Monday, 7/20 through Monday morning, 7/27/2.**
- Up to two left or right lanes (NB or SB) - **8:00 pm to 5:00 am (next day), Monday, 7/20 through Saturday morning, 7/25/20**

- Up to two left or right lanes (NB or SB) - **5:00 am, Saturday, 7/25 to 5:00 am, Monday morning, 7/27/20**

South Capitol Street, SE/SW northbound - MLK Jr. Avenue, SE to Malcolm X Avenue, SE

- Single right lane – **Anytime, starting 6:00 am Monday, 7/20 through midnight Saturday, 7/25/20**

South Capitol Street, SE/SW (NB & SB) - Southbound ramp to South Capitol Street / Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2) from I-295 to Martin Luther King Jr, Avenue, SE

- Single right lane - **6:00 am to 4:00 pm daily, Monday, 7/20 through Saturday, 7/25/20**

Suitland Parkway, SE: Firth Sterling Avenue, SE to South Capitol Street, SE

- Single left or right lane (EB or WB) - **9:30 am to 4:00 pm daily, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**
- Single left or right lanes (EB or WB) – **6:30 pm to 6:30 am (next day), Monday, 7/20 through Monday morning 7/27/20**
- Up to two left or right lanes (EB or WB) – **8:00 pm to 5:00 am (next day), Monday, 7/20 through Saturday morning 7/25/20**
- Up to two left or right lanes (EB or WB) - **5:00 am, Saturday, 7/25 to 5:00 am, Monday morning, 7/27/20**
- Full closure (EB/WB). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.* - **8:00 pm to 5:00 am, Monday, 7/20 through Saturday morning 7/25/20**
- Full closure (EB/WB). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.* - **5:00 am to 9:00 pm, Saturday, 7/25/20 (Alternate Date: Sunday, 7/26/20)**

Firth Sterling Avenue, SE - South Capitol Street, SE to Howard Road, SE

- Single left or right lane (NB or SB) - **9:30 am to 4:00 pm daily, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**
- Single left or right lane (NB or SB) - **6:30 pm to 6:30 am (next day), Monday, 7/20 through Saturday morning 7/25/20**
- Single left or right lane (NB or SB) - **6:30 am, Saturday, 7/25/20 to 6:30 am, Monday morning, 7/27/20**
- Full closure (NB/WB). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.* - **8:00 pm to 5:00 am, Monday, 7/20 through Saturday morning 7/25/20**
- Full closure (NB/SB). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.* - **5:00 am to 9:00 pm, Saturday, 7/25/20 (Alternate Date: Sunday, 7/26/20)**

Potomac Avenue, SE/SW - First Street, SE to Second Street, SW

- Single left or right lane (EB or WB) - **Anytime, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**

Potomac Avenue, SE/SW – South Capitol Street, SE to First Street, SW

- Full closure (EB). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.* – **Continuously, Wednesday, 7/22 through Monday, 11/9/20**

Half Street, SW - Potomac Avenue, SW to S Street, SW

- Single left or right lane (NB or SB) - **Anytime, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**  
Howard Road, SE - Firth Sterling Avenue, SE to Off-Ramp from I-295 Southbound
- Single left or right lane (EB or WB) and sidewalk - **Anytime, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**

Howard Road, SE - WMATA Metro Parking Garage to South Capitol Street, SE

- Full closure (EB/WB, except local traffic). *Signed detour will be in place for closure.* - **Continuously, Monday, 7/27 through Tuesday, 8/18/20**

Barry Road, SE, near Firth Sterling Avenue SE

- Single lane - **Anytime, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**

Malcolm X Avenue, SE - 2nd Street, SE to South Capitol Street, SE

- Single left or right lane (EB or WB) - **6:00 am to 4:30 pm daily, Monday, 7/20 through Saturday, 7/25/20**

Ramp from MLK Jr. Avenue to I-295 Northbound

- Full closure. *Signed detour will be in place for closure.* – **All times, Monday, 7/20 through Sunday 7/26/20**

The following lane, ramp, and shoulder closures may be in place **daily from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm, Monday, 7/20, through Monday morning 7/27/20 and nightly from 8:00 pm to 5:00 am (next day), Monday, 7/20, through Monday morning 7/27/20**, weather permitting. *Signed detours will be posted.*

- I-295 northbound off-ramp to westbound South Capitol Street / Nationals Park / Downtown (Exit 3B)
- I-295 southbound off-ramp to Howard Road / Nationals Park (Exit 4B)
- I-295 southbound off-ramp to Suitland Parkway / US Naval Station (Exit 4A)
- I-295 southbound on-ramp from eastbound Suitland Parkway, SE

The following lane, ramp, and shoulder closures may be in place **nightly only from 9:00 pm to 5:00 am (next day), Monday, 7/20, through Monday morning 7/27/20**, weather permitting. *Signed detours will be posted.*

- I-295 northbound on-ramp from northbound Firth Sterling Avenue, SE

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 multiple phases of this project include the reconstruction of the I-295 interchange with Malcolm X Avenue SE, including modified 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.

### **Rehabilitation of East Capitol Street Bridge over Anacostia River Project**

The Rehabilitation of the East Capitol Street Bridge (also known as the Whitney Young Jr. Memorial Bridge) over the Anacostia River includes improvements to the substructure and superstructure of the bridge as well as pedestrian improvements, including the construction of a trail connection to provide direct access from the bridge to the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail. The bridge was originally constructed in 1955, and repairs are needed to the bridge deck, concrete abutments and steel girder system.

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

*For more information about DDOT's ongoing efforts to improve the 295 corridor, visit [www.improving295dc.com](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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