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(Washington, DC)—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 start of these lane, ramp, and shoulder closures is contingent on suitable weather, field conditions, and/or adjacent construction activities.

SUITLAND PARKWAY & HOWARD ROAD FULL CLOSURES:

Full closures (both directions) with detours are planned during the following alternate overnight periods on **Suitland Parkway, SE** from Firth Sterling Avenue, SE to South Capitol Street, SE (*including access from I-295 Northbound and Southbound*) or **Howard Road, SE** from Firth Sterling Avenue, SE to the WMATA Access. They will start by **8:00pm** and end by **6:00am**. These full closures will not occur on the same nights:

- Between **Monday night, 12/21** and **Thursday morning, 12/24/20**
- Between **Sunday night, 12/27** and **Thursday morning, 12/31/20**
- Between **Sunday night, 1/3** and **Monday morning, 1/4/21**

I-295 NORTHBOUND & SOUTHBOUND CLOSURES:

Single left or right lane closures will also occur on **I-295 Northbound and Southbound** between Exit 1 (Laboratory Road / US Naval Research Lab) and I-695 during the following dates and times:

- Between **Monday morning, 12/21** and **12:00pm, Thursday, 12/24/20**
- Between **Monday morning, 12/27** and **3:30pm, Thursday, 12/31/20**

Double left or right lane closures will also occur on **I-295 Northbound and Southbound** between Exit 1 (Laboratory Road / US Naval Research Lab) and I-695, **nightly (8:00pm to 6:00am)** during the following dates:

- Between **Monday night, 12/21** and **Thursday morning, 12/24/20**
- Between **Sunday night, 12/27** and **Thursday morning, 12/31/20**

- Between **Sunday night, 1/3** and **Monday morning, 1/4/21**

SOUTH CAPITOL STREET, SE/SW, SUITLAND PARKWAY, SE, & OTHER LOCAL ROADWAY CLOSURES:

Single left or right lane closures will occur on **South Capitol Street, SE/SW** from Firth Sterling Avenue, SE and N Street, SE and/or Suitland Parkway, SE between the Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE overpass and South Capitol Street, SE **daily (9:30am to 4:00pm)** and **nightly (6:30pm to 6:00am)** on the following dates:

- Between **Monday, 12/21** and **Thursday, 12/24/20** (*Daytime closures end at 12:00pm on 12/24/20. Nighttime closures end at 6:00am on 12/24/20.*)
- Between **Monday 12/27** and **Thursday, 12/31/20** (*Daytime closures end at 3:30pm on 12/31/20. Nighttime closures end at 6:00am on 12/31/20.*)

Double left or right lane closures will also occur on **South Capitol Street, SE/SW** between Firth Sterling Avenue, SE and N Street, SE and/or Suitland Parkway, SE between the Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE overpass and South Capitol Street, SE **nightly (8:00pm to 5:00am)** on the following dates:

- Between **Monday night, 12/21** and **Thursday morning, 12/24/20**
- Between **Sunday night, 12/27** and **Thursday morning, 12/31/20**
- Between **Sunday night, 1/3** and **Monday morning, 1/4/21**

Single lane closures will occur anytime along Firth Sterling Avenue, SE, Potomac Avenue, SE/SW, Half Street, SW, Howard Road, SE, Barry Road, SE, St. Elizabeths Avenue, SE, Malcolm X Avenue, SE, and South Capitol Street, SE/SW. Please expect delays when traveling these corridors. (*Anytime except 12:00pm, 12/24 to 12:00pm, 12/28/20 and except 3:30pm, 12/31/20 to 12:00pm, 1/4/21.*)

RAMP CLOSURES:

Full closures will occur for the following ramps between **Monday, 12/21** and **Thursday, 12/24/20** and between **Monday, 12/27** and **Thursday, 12/31/20**. These closures will occur between **9:30am and 4:00pm and/or 8:00pm and 5:00am**, unless otherwise noted. (*Daytime closures end at 12:00pm on 12/24/20 and 3:30pm on 12/31/20. Nighttime closures end at 5:00am on 12/24/20 and 12/31/20.*)

- Exit 3B from I-295 northbound (South Capitol Street / Nationals Park / Downtown)
- Exit 4 from I-295 southbound (South Capitol Street / Suitland Parkway)
- Ramp from MLK Jr. Avenue to I-295 Northbound (*continuously except 12:00pm, 12/24 to 12:00pm, 12/28/20 and except 12:00pm, 12/31/20 to 12:00pm, 1/4/21*)

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.

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For more information about DDOT's ongoing efforts to improve the 295 corridor, visit 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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