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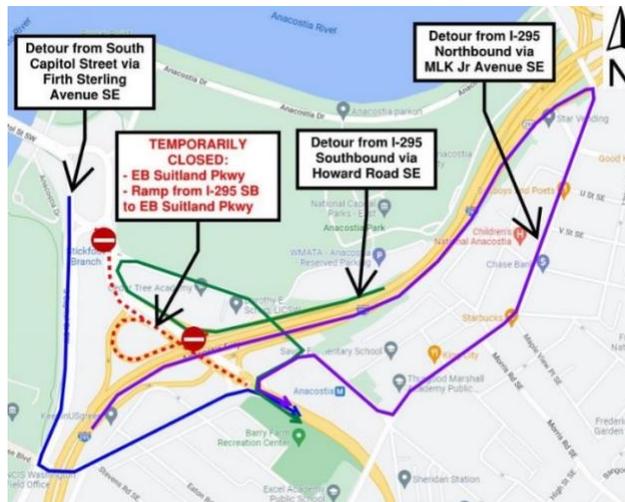
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**Temporary Closures of Eastbound Suitland Parkway, Firth Sterling Avenue SE, and Howard Road SE August 22 through August 29, 2022**

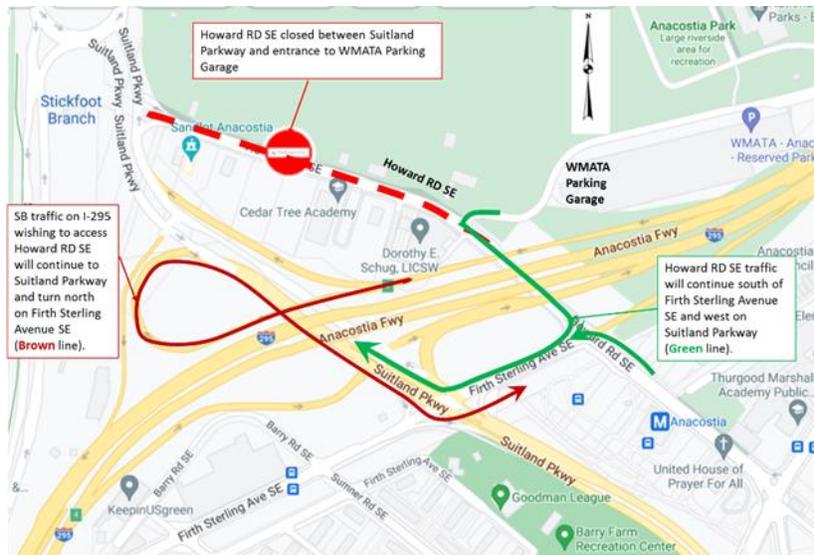
(Washington, DC) - The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) will temporarily close eastbound Suitland Parkway from the intersection with South Capitol Street to the intersection with Firth Sterling Avenue weeknights from Monday night, August 22 through Friday night, August 26, from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. the following afternoon. Ramp traffic from I-295 southbound to Suitland Parkway will be detoured via Howard Road SE and Firth Sterling Avenue SE. When Suitland Parkway is closed, all lanes will remain open on Firth Sterling Avenue SE, Howard Road SE, and southbound South Capitol Street (between the East Oval and Firth Sterling Avenue). All sidewalks will remain open during the roadway closure. Marked detours will be in place during these closures.

**Eastbound Suitland Parkway Closure and Detour**



Howard Road SE will be closed between Suitland Parkway and the DC Mental Health facility on Saturday, August 27 between 5:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. When Howard Road SE is closed, all lanes will remain open on Suitland Parkway and South Capitol Street (between Firth Sterling Avenue and Suitland Parkway). Access to all businesses on this section of Howard Road SE will be maintained, as well as access to the WMATA parking facility north of Howard Road SE. All sidewalks will remain open during the roadway closure. Marked detours will be in place during this closure.

### Howard Road SE Closure and Detour



Firth Sterling Avenue SE will be closed between South Capitol Street and St. Elizabeths Avenue SE on Saturday, August 27 between 5:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. When Firth Sterling Avenue SE is closed, all lanes will remain open on Suitland Parkway and South Capitol Street (between Firth Sterling Avenue and Suitland Parkway). All sidewalks will remain open during the roadway closure. Marked detours will be in place during this closure.

### Firth Sterling Avenue SE Closure and Detour



Due to the scheduled events at Nationals Park, lane closures will not occur during the following times:

- Tuesday, August 23 – 3:30 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- Friday, August 26 – 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- Saturday, August 27 – 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m.
- Sunday, August 28 – 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

If any of these events are cancelled, lane closures will occur during the typical times. Additionally, any nighttime full roadway closures that are prohibited on these event days will take place in the event of an event cancellation.

These closures are necessary for construction activities associated with the South Capitol Street Corridor Project which includes construction of the New Frederick Douglass Memorial Bridge and the reconstruction of the I-295/Suitland Parkway interchange.

Please observe the posted speed limit and proceed through the construction area with caution. Pedestrians and cyclists are advised to stay alert and follow signage when traveling through this area.

For more information about the Frederick Douglass Memorial Bridge Project and to stay up-to-date on traffic related impacts and construction progress, please visit [www.newfrederickdouglassbridge.com](http://www.newfrederickdouglassbridge.com).

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