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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 following lanes, ramp, and shoulder closures will be in place **daily from 9:30 am to 3:30 pm, Monday, February 4, 2019, through Friday, February 8, 2019**, weather permitting.

I-295 / DC 295 Southbound

- Single left or right lane/shoulder between I-695 (Exits 1B-C) and US Naval Research Lab / DC Water / Blue Plains (Exit 1)

Local Roads

- South Capitol Street, SE/SW northbound single left or right lane between Firth Sterling Avenue, SE and N Street, SE
- South Capitol Street, SE/SW single left or right lane from Martin Luther King Jr. Avenue SE, to Malcolm X Avenue, SE
- Suitland Parkway, SE single left or right lane between Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE and South Capitol Street, SE
- Firth Sterling Avenue, SE single left or right lane between South Capitol Street, SE and Howard Road, SE
- Potomac Avenue SE/SW single left or right lane between First Street, SE and Second Street, SW
- P Street, SW between South Capitol Street, SW and Half Street, SW
- Howard Road, SE single left or right lane between Firth Sterling Avenue, SE and Suitland Parkway, SE

- Malcolm X Avenue, SE left or right lane closure between 2nd Street, SE to South Capitol Street, SE/SW

Ramps (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 Suitland Parkway / US Naval Station (Exit 4A)

The following lane and shoulder closures will be in place **daily from 9:30 am to 8:30 pm from Monday, February 4, 2019 to Saturday morning, February 8, 2019**, weather permitting.

- I-295 northbound single left or right lane and shoulder between Laboratory Road / US Naval Research Lab (Exit 1) and East Capitol Street

The following lane, ramp, and shoulder closures will be in place **nightly from 8:30 pm to 5:00 am, Sunday night, February 3, 2019, through Saturday morning, February 9, 2019** weather permitting.

I-295 / DC 295 Northbound

- Two left or right lanes between Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2) and I-695 to I-395 Downtown (Exit 5A)
- Single left lane between I-695 to I-395 Downtown (Exit 5A) and East Capitol Street

I-295 / DC 295 Southbound

- Two left or right lanes between I-695 (Exits 1B-C) and South Capitol Street / Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2)
- Single left or right lane between South Capitol Street / Malcolm X Avenue / JBAB (Exit 2) and US Naval Research Lab / DC Water / Blue Plains (Exit 1)

Local Roads

- South Capitol Street, SE/SW single left or right lane between Firth Sterling Avenue, SE and N Street, SE and intermittent intersection closures at P Street, SW.
- Suitland Parkway, SE two right lanes or two left lanes between Martin Luther King, Jr. Avenue, SE and South Capitol Street, SE
- Firth Sterling Avenue, SE single left or right lane between South Capitol Street, SE and Howard Road, SE
- Potomac Avenue SE/SW single left or right lane between First Street, SE and Second Street, SW
- P Street, SW between South Capitol Street, SW and Half Street, SW
- Howard Road, SE single left or right lane between Firth Sterling Avenue, SE and Suitland Parkway, SE

Ramps (signed detours will be posted)

- I-295 northbound off-ramp to eastbound Suitland Parkway / JBAB (Exit 3A)

- I-295 northbound off-ramp to westbound South Capitol Street / Nationals Park / Downtown (Exit 3B).
- I-295 northbound on-ramp from eastbound Suitland Parkway, SE.
- I-295 northbound on-ramp from northbound Firth Sterling Avenue, SE.
- 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 and shoulder continuous closures will be in place **during the weekend from 9:00 pm, Friday night, February 8, 2019 to 5:00 am, Monday morning, February 11, 2019** weather permitting.

- I-295 northbound up to two left or right lanes/shoulder between Laboratory Road / US Naval Research Lab (Exit 1) and I-695 to I-395 Downtown (Exit 5A)
- DC-295 / I-295 southbound up to two left or right lanes/shoulder between I-695 (Exits 1B-C) and US Naval Research Lab / DC Water / Blue Plains (Exit 1)

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 Anacostia Freeway Bridges over Nicholson St, SE

The District Department of Transportation project to rehabilitate the Anacostia Freeway bridges over Nicholson St, SE is part of DDOT’s ongoing commitment to safety. The rehabilitation project will focus on reconstruction of the bridge deck and adjoining ramps to address deteriorating structural elements, ensuring that each bridge remains a reliable part of our infrastructure.

Rehabilitation of East Capitol Street Bridge 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.

Rehabilitation of Anacostia Freeway Bridges over South Capitol Street SE Project

Anacostia Freeway Bridges over South Capitol Street SE consist of a pair of one-way bridges built in 1963 and located on northbound and southbound I-295 over South Capitol Street in southeast Washington, DC. This bridge rehabilitation project will eliminate deficiencies, increase safety for the traveling public and enhance the durability of the bridge structures including the replacement of the super structure, the repair of the sub-structure, the addition of new under-bridge lighting for improved visibility and safety, new pavement and asphalt overlay within the project limits and new paint for the existing bridge.

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.

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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