



**\*\*\* TRAFFIC ADVISORY \*\*\***

**Traffic Shift Scheduled on I-77 Between the Brookshire Freeway/I-77 Interchange and LaSalle Street**

**Charlotte, N.C. (May 11, 2017)** – As work continues on the I-77 Express Lanes project in the Charlotte area, motorists will notice a new traffic pattern as crews prepare to shift lanes on I-77 near the Oaklawn Avenue bridge between the Brookshire Freeway/I-77 interchange and LaSalle Street. This lane shift is needed as crews build a new bridge for Oaklawn Avenue.

This traffic shift will take place Saturday, May 13, at 10:00 p.m. If inclement weather delays the traffic shift, it will be rescheduled to the next available night.

This traffic shift will move the northbound traffic on I-77 over to a portion of the southbound lanes for approximately 2,000 feet. A temporary concrete safety barrier will separate the northbound and southbound lanes. Traffic will be in this pattern until the end of the year, approximately.

\*Detours are subject to weather conditions and major special events in the area.

Motorists are encouraged to pay attention when approaching the work zone, obey the posted speed limit and work zone signs, and allow extra time to reach their destinations safely.

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Once the project is complete, dedicated express lanes will run adjacent to the existing general purpose lanes. The number of general purpose lanes will remain the same as today. Drivers will have the choice of using the express lanes to avoid travel delays, the general purpose lanes or a combination of both. Vehicles with three or more occupants (including the driver) and equipped with a transponder may use the express lanes for free. The full 26-mile project is slated to be completed in 2018.

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