



***** TRAFFIC ADVISORY *****

Upcoming Traffic Shifts on I-77 from the Brookshire Freeway/I-77 Interchange to the I-85/I-77 Interchange

Charlotte, N.C. (February 3, 2017) – Traffic shifts on I-77 will take place in the upcoming weeks. These shifts will occur from the Brookshire Freeway/I-77 interchange north to the I-85/I-77 interchange. 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.

A slight traffic shift will occur in the coming days just north of the I-85/I-77 interchange. Traffic will be moved slightly to the east of the existing northbound lanes. This will allow crews to continue working on the cut and cover underpass construction.

Motorists will also notice new traffic patterns on the northbound lanes from the Oaklawn Avenue overpass to the I-85/I-77 interchange as crews set temporary safety barriers and new pavement markings.

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.

For the most up to date information about the project, we encourage people to sign up for our e-newsletter and follow us on social media, using the following:

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The I-77 Express Lanes are scheduled to open by the end of 2018. Construction is occurring during the day and night, primarily in the median of I-77. All general purpose lanes on I-77 remain open during the day. Occasional lane closures in the general purpose lanes on I-77 only take place in overnight hours to minimize impacts to traffic.