

I-77 Express Lanes: March 2017 Construction Update

Progress on the I-77 Express Lanes continues and is on track to help make travel easier in the Charlotte and Lake Norman region. Below is a look at the construction activities slated for March:

- Construction of the new Griffith Street bridge is taking shape in the median of I-77 at Exit 30. The new and improved bridge will contain bike lanes and sidewalks.
- Crews are working on soil stabilization and drainage on the north segment of the project between Exit 28 (Catawba Avenue) in Cornelius and Exit 36 (Plaza Drive) in Mooresville. Crews are also working on the widening of a bridge over Lake Norman north of Exit 33.
- Crews are working on the pedestrian culvert just north of Exit 23 (Gilead Road) in Huntersville. This culvert will provide a future greenway connection under I-77.
- Preliminary construction activities such as restriping and placement of a concrete safety barrier are occurring from south of Exit 23 in Huntersville to the I-485 interchange as crews get ready to begin work in this section.
- Asphalt operations are making progress between the Stumptown Road overpass in Huntersville and Exit 28.
- Overnight detours are taking place near uptown Charlotte between the I-85/I-77 interchange and the Brookshire Freeway/I-77 interchange to continue work on the Oaklawn Avenue bridge and the pedestrian bridge north of LaSalle Street.

The majority of the I-77 Express Lanes 26-mile project will be under construction during 2017. Safety is our number one goal. 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.

Throughout the construction process, I-77 Mobility Partners and contractor Sugar Creek Construction seek to minimize the impact of traffic changes by scheduling specific activities during non-peak drive times.

A variety of bid opportunities are available for interested companies. If you know of anyone interested, please ask them to visit our website www.i77express.com and click on the contract opportunities tab for details on how to apply.



Construction of the foundation of the Griffith Street bridge in Davidson



Pedestrian culvert wall construction north of Exit 23 in Huntersville



Removing panels from pedestrian bridge north of LaSalle Street in Charlotte



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