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Major I-30 closures scheduled for this weekend

Eastbound I-30 Collins Street Bridge ramp to be removed

ARLINGTON— To make way for the new Center Street Bridge over Interstate 30, the Collins Street entrance/exit ramp bridge to eastbound I-30 will be demolished, weather permitting, over two separate weekends. During these weekends, I-30 will be redirected and reduced to one lane east and westbound. *Motorists are encouraged to use alternate routes.*

Nov. 15-19- This Thursday, Nov. 15, the ramp will be closed at 9 a.m., and eastbound I-30 will have one lane closed from Cooper Street to Collins Street 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Beginning Friday night, Nov. 16, I-30 traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction. On Saturday morning, eastbound I-30 traffic will be redirected onto the westbound main lanes ½ mile east of Cooper Street to west of Collins Street. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction for the duration of the closure. All I-30 main lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, Nov. 19.

Dec. 7-9 - On Friday night, Dec. 7, I-30 will be reduced to one lane in each direction. On Saturday morning, westbound I-30 traffic will be redirected onto the eastbound main lanes from west of Collins Street to ½ mile east of Cooper Street. Traffic will be reduced to one lane in each direction for the duration of the closure. All I-30 main lanes will reopen by 5 a.m. Monday, Dec. 10.

Background

The Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) awarded the project to the Zachry Construction Corporation of San Antonio for $18.6 million. The new Center Street Bridge will have six lanes with turnarounds and is estimated for completion by winter 2008.

The Center Street Bridge is part of the $162.4 million, I-30/Three Bridges project that includes the new bridge at Center Street, a new bridge at Baird Farm Road, the replacement of the Collins Street Bridge and the reconstruction of I-30 main lanes from Cooper Street to Ball Park Way. Construction on the Baird Farm Road and Collins Street bridges will begin this fall.

Project daily lane closures are accessible at: www.txdot.gov, KEYWORD: Road Conditions.

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