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DEMOLITION WORK REQUIRES OVERNIGHT LANE CLOSURE/DELAYS ON INTERSTATE 49 IN BENTON COUNTY

LITTLE ROCK (2-6) – Demolition work will require a lane closure and short delays on Interstate 49 in Benton County, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

Crews are replacing the Highway 264 (W. Monroe Ave.) bridge over Interstate 49 in Lowell. In preparation, they will create a concrete barrier wall along the I-49 southbound median shoulder beneath the Highway 264 overpass. This will require closing the southbound inside lane. Also, northbound and southbound I-49 traffic will be stopped for 15-minute intervals during overhead demolition work to protect traffic from falling objects.

This work and associated delays will occur **Tuesday night, February 10th through Wednesday morning, February 11th** between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., weather permitting. Consider alternate routes during this period while construction requires stoppages.

Beginning Wednesday night, February 11th and continuing for two weeks between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m., I-49 northbound and southbound will be detoured to the Exit 78 ramps to divert traffic around the Highway 264 overpass as it is being demolished.

APAC-Central, Inc. of Fayetteville, Arkansas was awarded the contract at \$6,108,445.92. The project should be complete by summer 2016.

Drivers should exercise caution when approaching and traveling through all highway work zones. Additional travel information can be found at IDriveArkansas.com or ArkansasHighways.com. You can also follow us on [Twitter @AHTD](https://twitter.com/AHTD).

