



# ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT

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## INFORMATION RELEASE

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### I-540 Traffic Pattern Change in Fort Smith/Van Buren

**FORT SMITH/VAN BUREN (July 8)** The Contractor has informed the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department District Four Headquarters at Fort Smith of planned work that will affect traffic on Interstate 540 between Highway 22 (Rogers Avenue) in Fort Smith and Highway 64 in Van Buren. This work is associated with the Interstate 540 rehabilitation project that was declared substantially complete in May 2014.

Beginning Monday night, July 11th, motorists should expect to encounter lane closures between 6:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. at various locations along this section of Interstate 540. The work is expected to take up to 2 weeks to complete.

The lane closures are necessary to allow the Contractor to access and perform work on select bridges and short segments of the roadway shoulders near the bridges. The length of any one lane closure is expected to be less than one mile.

Adjustment of the dates and times of the traffic changes may be required due to weather or other unforeseen traffic conditions.

Motorists are urged to use care and think ahead when traveling through the work zone. They should remember to Obey the Posted Speed Limits and Other Regulatory Signing; to Maintain a Steady Speed; to Leave Room between them and other vehicles; to Be Aware of Road Conditions in front of them; and to Anticipate the Need to Stop or Reduce Speed Substantially.

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

