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Interstate 30 Lane Closures to Allow "Last of Season" Overlay

Intense paving operation set to begin tonight

PULASKI COUNTY (11-18) – Crews are mobilizing this afternoon in Southwest Little Rock in preparation for an around-the-clock paving operating on I-30, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

Beginning at 7:00 p.m. tonight (Friday, November 18), alternating lane closures will begin as construction crews work to resurface a three-mile section of I-30 between milemarkers 135 and 138 – roughly between West 65th Street (Exit 135) and the railroad viaduct just west of the State Highway 365 (Arch Street) overpass.

Weather permitting, **the work is expected to continue through Tuesday, November 22** and involves placement of a two-inch asphalt overlay on the main lanes and shoulders of the interstate. Additionally, a thin-layered wearing course will be applied to slow down the deterioration of the existing concrete payement.

This is a three-lane section of highway and motorists should expect single and double lane closures in both directions, which at times will only leave one available lane in each direction. Work will occur around-the-clock – except during peak commute times in the mornings and in the evenings on Monday and Tuesday. Motorists should expect delays and consider taking alternate routes. An increased law enforcement presence will be on-hand to help maintain the safety of motorists within and approaching the work zone.

The work will dramatically improve the pavement condition on this section of highway and is being done before the freeze-thaw cycle of winter arrives and causes additional deterioration.

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.