



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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****UPDATE****

I-10 at Bluebonnet to Completely Close in Both Directions tonight

Only one lane will close on I-12 tonight.

Baton Rouge—As a reminder, all westbound and eastbound lanes of Interstate 10 at Bluebonnet Boulevard will close for 30 minutes at midnight tonight/Friday morning (June 24/25) for Entergy to install new overhead power lines.

In addition, the following on-ramp and off-ramp closures are scheduled for tonight/Friday morning (June 24/25), weather permitting:

- The I-10 westbound on-ramp from Siegen Lane will close from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- The I-10 westbound on-ramp at Picardy Avenue will close from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.
- The I-10 eastbound off-ramp at Picardy Avenue will close from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.

Oversize vehicles must detour using U.S. 61 (Airline Highway) at the Sorrento exit and travel north the Interstate 12, travel west on I-12 and reconnect with I-10 in Baton Rouge.

Only one lane on Interstate 12 will close tonight as Entergy completed relocating overhead lines on I-12 last night. The complete closure has been lifted. The following normal closures are scheduled for tonight, June 24 through Saturday, June 26, weather permitting:

- Eastbound I-12 will reduce to one lane from O'Neal Lane to 4-H Club Road from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. for concrete-paving operations.
- The eastbound I-12 on-ramp from O'Neal Lane will close from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. for concrete-paving operations.

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development appreciates your patience and encourages drivers to exercise caution and obey all warning signs through the construction area. Please be aware of all construction workers and equipment.

The Louisiana DOTD Geaux Wider program is a multi-year construction initiative designed to increase capacity, improve safety and enhance mobility on Interstates 10 and 12 in East Baton Rouge and Livingston Parishes.

The following interstate segments will be widened to six lanes under the Geaux Wider program:

- Interstate 10, from the I-10/12 split to Siegen Lane.
- Interstate 10, from the Siegen Lane interchange to Highland Road.
- Interstate 12, from the O'Neal Lane interchange to Pete's Highway.
- Interstate 12 eastbound, from Pete's Highway to Juban Road.

Construction is underway now with the completion date for the entire program estimated for late 2012. For more information, visit www.geauxwider.com or contact Louisiana DOTD Customer Service at 1-877-4LA-DOTD (3683)

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