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UPDATE: Lane Closure Advisories for the I-10 and I-12 Widening Project

Baton Rouge—There is one scheduled lane closure associated with the I-10 widening project for tonight through Wed. night. The following closure is scheduled for Mon., May 17 through Wed., May 19 from 9 p.m to 5 a.m., weather permitting:

- Westbound I-10 from Siegen Lane to the I-10/12 split will reduce to one lane from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. for embankment and bridge work.

This closure will allow vehicles 11-feet wide or smaller to pass through the construction zones. The road is open for regular traffic, but 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.

Also, there are two scheduled lane closures associated with the I-12 widening project for this week. The following closures are scheduled for Tuesday night, May 18 and will continue through Saturday night, May 22:

- Eastbound I-12 from O'Neal Lane to approximately 500 yards past Pete's Highway will reduce to one lane from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. for concrete paving operations.
- The eastbound I-12 onramp at O'Neal Lane will close from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. for concrete paving operations.

Motorists wanting to take an alternate route can travel west to Millerville Road and enter eastbound I-12 at Millerville Road.

Oversized loads/vehicles are not permitted to travel through this construction area without proper permits and escorts. All emergency vehicles will have access to travel through this area.

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, contact Louisiana DOTD Customer Service at 1-877-4LA-DOTD (3683) or visit www.geauxwider.com.

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