



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### Westbound Lanes of I-12 to Close This Weekend

**Baton Rouge**— Both travel lanes on Interstate 12 westbound at O’Neal Lane will close on Saturday, October 29 from 10 p.m. until 3 a.m. This closure is necessary for crews to safely pour concrete onto the O’Neal Lane overpass.

Vehicles traveling west on I-12 must exit at O’Neal Lane (Exit 7), cross O’Neal, and use the O’Neal on-ramp to continue westbound travel on I-12. There are no vehicle width restrictions.

The following lane closures will accompany the I-12 westbound closure:

- I-12 westbound will have a left lane closure between the Amite River Bridge and O’Neal Lane from Saturday, October 29 at 7 p.m. to Sunday, October 30 at 5 a.m.
- I-12 eastbound will have a left lane closure between Millerville Road and O’Neal Lane from Saturday, October 29 at 8 p.m. to Sunday, October 30 at 5 a.m.
- O’Neal Lane northbound and southbound will be closed under the I-12 overpass from Saturday, October 29 at 7 p.m. to Sunday, October 30 at 9 a.m.

Media members who need access to the interstate work zones to obtain photos or video must first contact the Geaux Wider team at (225) 906-1448. For safety reasons, no unscheduled or unaccompanied visits are permitted.

The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development appreciates the patience of drivers during this construction program. Everyone is reminded to exercise caution, and to obey the lower posted speed limits and other warning signs in the work zones.

The 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 are being 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.

The completion date for the entire program is tentatively scheduled for 2013. For more information, contact Louisiana DOTD Customer Service at 1-877-4LADOTD (3683) or visit [www.GeauxWider.com](http://www.GeauxWider.com).

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