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Lane Closure Advisories for the I-12 Widening Project

Baton Rouge—The following I-12 lane closure is scheduled for Sunday, June 20 through Saturday, June 26 from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.:

- The right eastbound travel lane of I-12 will be closed from O’Neal Lane to Pete’s Highway. This closure is necessary for concrete paving operations to take place.

Additionally, there will be intermittent closures of the eastbound I-12 entrance ramps at O’Neal Lane and Range Avenue.

Oversized loads/vehicles will not be permitted to travel through these areas without proper permits and escorts. The lanes will only allow 11 ft. or smaller vehicles to pass through the construction zone. All emergency vehicles will have access to travel through this area.

Motorists wanting to take an alternate route to travel east on I-12 from Range Avenue can travel north on Range to Florida Boulevard. Turn right onto Florida and travel approximately three miles east to Juban Road. Turn right onto Juban and travel south approximately three miles to intersect with I-12 to continue eastward travel on I-12.

Motorists wanting to take an alternate route to travel east on I-12 from O’Neal Lane can travel west to Millerville Road and enter eastbound I-12 at Millerville Road.

Starting the morning of Friday, June 11, construction signs and traffic control devices will be installed on I-12 westbound between Pete’s Highway and O’Neal Lane. The speed limit will be reduced to 50 mph and remain as posted until message boards are installed.

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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