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**Lane Closure Advisories for the I-10 Widening Project**

**Baton Rouge, La.**—Construction work along the Interstate 10 Widening Project will create the need for upcoming lane closures through next week. All of closures will occur between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m.

The following is a list of upcoming nighttime lane closures that will occur from Sunday, Nov. 8, to Thursday, November 12:

- Both directions of Bluebonnet Boulevard will reduce to one lane at the I-10 overpass for bridge work.
- Both directions of Siegen Lane will reduce to one lane at the I-10 overpass for bridge work.
- Eastbound I-10 from Essen Lane to Pecue Lane will reduce to one lane for embankment and overpass work.
- Westbound I-10 from Pecue Lane to the I-10/12 split also will reduce to one lane for embankment and overpass work.

Southbound Essen Lane also will reduce to one lane nightly beginning Monday, Nov. 9, through Thursday, Nov. 12, for drill shaft work. This closure will occur between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m.

These closures 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.

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](http://www.geauxwider.com).

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