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Millerville Road Ramp Meter Activation Tuesday, Aug. 31

Remote monitoring by traffic management center

Baton Rouge, La. – The fifth of 16 ramp meters to be installed along Interstate 12 is scheduled to be activated Tuesday, Aug. 31 from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Millerville Road on-ramp to westbound I-12.

When approaching the ramp meter signal, drivers should pull to the stop bar. The meters will stop vehicles for no more than 4 seconds before allowing one car at a time to progress forward. Like all ramp meters installed to date, these will only operate during the morning commute hours. If the meters are not on, drivers can proceed through the on-ramp without stopping at the meters.

The meters allow drivers to access the interstate in safe, orderly and evenly-spaced fashion, sometimes described as a "zipper effect."

All ramp meters are also remotely monitored and under the control of the DOTD's Traffic Management Center. This allows TMC staff to make adjustments more efficiently.

Previously, the Essen Lane ramp meter to westbound I-12 was activated on June 8, the southbound Airline Highway ramp meter to westbound I-12 was activated on June 23, and the northbound Airline Highway on-ramp to westbound I-12 was activated July 14. On Aug. 17, the Sherwood Forest Blvd meters were activated.

After Millerville Road, activations are scheduled to take place at O'Neal Lane, Juban Road and Walker/LA447 in mid to late September. Once all the westbound ramp meters are activated, crews will begin installing eastbound ramp meters, with the first occurring at Millerville Road in late September or early October. The ramp meters will operate exclusively during peak travel times, 6-10 a.m. for westbound on-ramps and 2-7 p.m. for eastbound on-ramps, and during special events or incidents.

DOTD is offering to meet with interested groups and/or make presentations regarding the ramp meter system or the current Interstate 10/12 widening projects that are part of the Geaux Wider program. For more information on this project, visit www.GeauxWider.com. The public may also access updated information on Facebook ([Facebook.com/GeauxWider1](https://www.facebook.com/GeauxWider1)) and Twitter ([Twitter.com/GeauxWider](https://twitter.com/GeauxWider)).

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