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**UPDATE**

**Night Closures for Eastbound I-12 entrance ramp at  
O'Neal Lane**

**Ramp will close for embankment work**

**Baton Rouge, La.** – Intermittent nighttime work closing the eastbound Interstate 12 entrance ramp at O'Neal Lane is being extended through Saturday, November 7. The closures will occur between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. to minimize traffic impacts. The work is weather dependent, and could be extended again if weather conditions require.

The speed limit is reduced to 50 mph through the construction zone and motorists should exercise extreme caution and obey all warning signs.

Motorists wanting to take an alternate route can travel north on O'Neal to Florida Boulevard. Turn right on Florida Boulevard and travel to 4-H Club Road. Turn right on 4-H Club Road and turn left on Rushing Road. Travel approximately 1.5 miles and re-intersect with I-12.

The I-12 widening project is scheduled to finish before the 2011 Thanksgiving holiday. The project is funded with \$100 million in surplus funds provided by Gov. Bobby Jindal and the Louisiana Legislature during the 2008 session.

The project will widen I-12 from two lanes to three lanes eastbound from the west side of the O'Neal Lane overpass to just east of Pete's Highway and westbound from just west of 4-H Club Road to the west side of the O'Neal Lane overpass.

Included in the widening will be a 12-foot inside and outside shoulders and a complete replacement of the eastbound and westbound bridges over the Amite River.

For more information on this project, call Louisiana DOTD Customer Service at 1-877-4LA-DOTD (452-3683) or visit [www.I12widening.org](http://www.I12widening.org).

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