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UPDATE

Temporarily Closing the Eastbound Right and Left Travel Lanes of Interstate 12
Starting at the Amite River Bridge to the 4-H Club Road Overpass

Baton Rouge, La. – The eastbound Interstate 12 right and left travel lanes starting at the Amite River Bridge to the 4-H Club Road Overpass closure to clean debris from the bridges has been extended through November 4, 2009. These closures will be performed separately, between the hours of 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. to minimize traffic impacts. One travel lane will remain open throughout the night. There will be a rolling lane closure westbound in the right and left lanes at different times throughout the night.

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 exit at O’Neal Lane and travel north to Florida Blvd. Turn right onto Florida Blvd. and travel east to 4-H Club Rd. Turn right onto 4-H Club Road traveling south to Rushing Road. Turn left traveling east to Range Ave. to intersect back with Interstate 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.

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