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WORKZONE INFORMATION SYSTEMS ASSIST MOTORISTS THROUGH CONSTRUCTION ZONES

LITTLE ROCK (12-16) As motorists make their holiday travel plans, the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) reminds travelers that the Department's website at www.ArkansasHighways.com features Workzone Information Systems at two highway construction sites. Information is available for a workzone in West Memphis and one between Jacksonville and Sherwood that will provide current travel conditions through each area.

In West Memphis, crews are presently making improvements to the Interstate 40/Interstate 55 East interchange located on the eastside of West Memphis. The project will include a new westbound overpass for Interstate 40 traffic, a new eastbound overpass for Interstate 40 traffic and reconstruction of the Interstate 55 lanes through the interchange area.

A project is underway to widen the southbound lanes of Highway 67/167 to three lanes from Redmond Road, in Jacksonville, southward to Highway 440.

Motorists can visit the AHTD website and find current information on both projects. Included are live camera feeds, current travel speeds through the areas, message sign information and highway advisory radio information.

"Our website allows motorists to see what current conditions are on the roadways in the workzone areas before they travel," stated AHTD Director Dan Flowers.

To access the information at www.ArkansasHighways.com, visitors should click on the orange barrel icon titled "AHTD Workzone Information Center" located on the lower right side of the homepage and then select the project location they are interested in. Running the cursor over icons for "message sign", "camera", "speed sensor" or "highway advisory radio" will provide the corresponding information for that construction zone.

"We think this information will aid motorists during the holidays when traffic volumes are heavier, and, throughout the months ahead," Flowers added.

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