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HAPPENING NOW

I-40 WESTBOUND OUTSIDE LANE HAS CLOSED DUE TO FLOODING WESTBOUND AND EASTBOUND LANES **EXPECTED TO CLOSE TODAY AT WHITE RIVER CROSSING**

LITTLE ROCK (5-4) – Flood waters in the White River in Arkansas east of Little Rock have reached I-40 near milemarker 202, and closure of both eastbound and westbound lanes at that location are imminent, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

At the present time, the westbound outside lane is closed due to high water. Arkansas officials are standing by and are prepared to close more lanes as water rises.

Westbound traffic will detour at Brinkley and be directed on Highway 49 north to Fair Oaks, then Highway 64 west to Bald Knob and then Highway 67 south to Little Rock. Eastbound traffic will exit at Hazen and be directed to Highway 63 to Stuttgart, Highway 165 to DeWitt, Highway 1 to Marvell. At Marvell, motorists can take Highway 49 north to Brinkley, Highway 1 to Forrest City or Highway 49 to Helena. It is impossible to project when lanes will reopen.

For more information on flooded highways visit www.arkansashighways.com and go to Flood Information or call the Public Affairs Office at 501-569-2572.

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