

## ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT DISTRICT FOUR

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## INFORMATION RELEASE

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## Grand Avenue and Highway 22 (Rogers Avenue) Traffic Restrictions in Fort Smith

**FORT SMITH (May 21)** The Contractor has informed the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department District Four Headquarters at Fort Smith of planned work that will impact traffic on Grand Avenue and Highway 22 (Rogers Avenue) in Fort Smith to allow for bridge construction activity on I-540 over these roads.

Beginning Wednesday, May 22, traffic on Grand Avenue will be restricted to one lane in each direction in the area of I-540 between the hours of 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. with short-term lane closures of less than 30 minutes between midnight and 5 a.m. All traffic lanes will be open by 6 a.m. each day. The work requiring these lane restrictions is expected to be complete by Thursday, May 30.

Beginning Wednesday, May 22, traffic on Highway 22 (Rogers Avenue) will be restricted to one lane in each direction in the area of I-540 between the hours of 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. with short-term lane closures of less than 30 minutes between midnight and 5 a.m. All traffic lanes will be open by 6 a.m. The work requiring these lane restrictions is expected to be complete by Thursday, May 23.

Adjustment of the times of the lane closure may be required due to weather or other unforeseen conditions.

Motorists are advised to consider alternate routes to reduce congestion in the work zone.

In November, 2012, the Arkansas Highway Commission awarded a contract, in the amount of \$78.8 million, to Kiewit Infrastructure South Company of Fort Worth, Texas. Work on the project is expected to be complete in mid-2014.

Motorists are urged to use care and think ahead when traveling through the work zone. Motorists should Obey the Posted Speed Limits and Other Regulatory Signing; Maintain a Steady Speed; Leave Room Between Vehicles; Be Aware of Road Conditions; and Anticipate the Need to Stop or Reduce Speed Substantially.

Up-to-date information on lane closures on this and other projects in the state is available at www.arkansashighways.com.

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