



# ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY AND TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT DISTRICT FOUR

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## INFORMATION RELEASE

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### Hwy. 71 Lane Closure for Greenwood and Fort Smith

**FORT SMITH (18-Nov)** The Contractor has informed the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department District Four Headquarters at Fort Smith of a planned lane closure associated with work on Highway 71 between Greenwood and Fort Smith.

Beginning Wednesday, November 19, 2014, lane closures may be expected in both the northbound and southbound inside lanes (Left Lanes) of Highway 71 between Elmwood Cutoff and Howard Hill Road north of Greenwood. The lane closures are expected to remain in place for approximately 3 days.

Beginning Monday, November 24, 2014, daytime lane closures may be expected in both the northbound and southbound outside lanes (Right Lanes) of Highway 71 between Elmwood Cutoff and Howard Hill Road north of Greenwood. These lane closures are expected to recur daily for approximately 3 days.

Adjustment of the times of any lane closures may become necessary due to weather or other unforeseen conditions.

In October 2012, the Arkansas Highway Commission awarded a contract, in the amount of \$22,649,692.08, to APAC-Tennessee, Inc. of Memphis, TN. The project includes concrete paving of future I-49 main lanes and ramps, as well as constructing median crossovers, traffic signals, a turn lane, and ramp tie-ins at Highway 71 north of Greenwood. The project also includes constructing ramp tie-ins at Highway 22 near Barling. Work on the project is expected to be completed in Spring of 2015.

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

Motorists should exercise caution when approaching and traveling through all highway work zones. Additional travel information can be found at [IDriveArkansas.com](http://IDriveArkansas.com) or [ArkansasHighways.com](http://ArkansasHighways.com). You can also follow us on [Twitter @AHTD](https://twitter.com/AHTD).

