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INFORMATION RELEASE

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I-49 Northbound and Southbound Nightly Lane Closures in Fayetteville

FORT SMITH (28-September) The Contractor has informed the Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department District Four Headquarters at Fort Smith of planned lane closures on I-49 in Fayetteville.

Beginning Thursday, September 29, motorists should expect nightly lane closures between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. for Northbound and Southbound traffic. The lane closures will be in place between Exit 65 and Exit 69 on I-49.

The lane closures are necessary for the placement of pavement markings and precast concrete barrier wall along the existing travel lanes of I-49. Traffic will be controlled using barrels and signage.

It is anticipated that the nightly work will take 5 days to complete. Adjustment of the dates of the traffic changes may become necessary due to weather or other unforeseen conditions.

In August 2016, the Arkansas Highway Commission awarded a contract in the amount of \$94,824,907.70 to Kiewit Infrastructure South Co. of Fort Worth, Texas for the project. The project will add a third lane for both the Northbound and Southbound lanes on I-49 between Exit 65 and Exit 69. Also, the project will consist of improvements to the Hwy. 112 (Exit 66) and Hwy. 71B (Exit 67) interchanges.

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 Unexpected Need to Stop or Reduce Speed Substantially due to construction vehicles entering and exiting the work zone.

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