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Improvements to Interstate 49 Require Overnight Lane Closures in Washington County

WASHINGTON COUNTY (7-14) – Construction work on I-49 in Springdale requires overnight lane closures on I-49, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

Beginning **Sunday night, July 17**, crews will remove the temporary concrete barrier from the median shoulder at the Elm Springs Road Interchange (Exit 73) and continue surfacing the widened roadway.

The overnight lane closures will occur nightly starting on **Sunday, July 17** and ending **Friday morning, July 22**, weather permitting. The inside lanes will alternately be closed northbound and southbound. Traffic will be controlled using signage and barrels.

- Northbound I-49 lane closures will occur **between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.**
- Southbound I-49 lane closures will occur **between 10:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.**

This project is part of AHTD's Connecting Arkansas Program and includes widening 3.4 miles of I-49 to three lanes in each direction. The work extends from U.S. Highway 412 to Wagon Wheel Road in Springdale. The project is anticipated to be complete in late 2016. More information on this \$21.6 million project is available at ConnectingArkansasProgram.com.

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

