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Improvements to Interstate 49 Require Overnight Lane Closures in Washington County

WASHINGTON COUNTY (9-1) – Construction work on I-49 in Johnson and Springdale requires overnight lane closures on I-49, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

Beginning **Tuesday night, September 6**, bridge crews will be treating bridge deck surfaces at the Clear Creek bridges, Johnson Mill Boulevard overpass and U.S. Highway 412/Sunset Avenue overpass. The outside lanes of I-49 will alternately be closed south of Johnson Mill Boulevard (Exit 69) in Johnson to U.S. Highway 412/Sunset Avenue (Exit 72) in Springdale to allow for construction.

The overnight lane closures will occur nightly **Tuesday, September 6** and **Wednesday, September 7**, weather permitting. Traffic will be controlled using signage and barrels.

- Northbound I-49 lane closures will occur **between 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.**
- Southbound I-49 lane closures will occur **between 9:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m.**

This project (Job CA0401) is part of AHTD's Connecting Arkansas Program and includes widening 4.5 miles of I-49 to three lanes in each direction. The work extends from U.S. Highway 71B in Johnson to U.S. Highway 412 in Springdale. The project is anticipated to be complete in late 2016. More information on this \$28.3 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).