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### **Construction to Close Interstate 49 for 15-minute Intervals in Bentonville**

**BENTON COUNTY (6-27)** – Crews placing bridge beams over Interstate 49 will require closing all lanes for multiple 15-minute periods in Bentonville, according to Arkansas State Highway and Transportation Department (AHTD) officials.

Weather permitting, workers will close all lanes of I-49 for 15-minute intervals on **Thursday night, June 29 between 11:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m.** Lanes will be closed between Mile Markers 87 and 89 to allow crews to hang bridge beams at State Highway 72 (Exit 88). Traffic control will be handled by the Arkansas State Police.

Advance warning signs will be placed to notify traffic approaching the closure. The public is advised to be cautious if traveling in this work zone and are encouraged to find alternative routes to avoid the interstate closure.

This project (Job CA0902) is part of AHTD's Connecting Arkansas Program and includes widening 3.5 miles of I-49 to three lanes in each direction. The work extends from Highway 62/102 to Highway 72 and includes constructing auxiliary lanes from Highway 62/102 toward Southeast Walton Boulevard. Construction is expected to complete in late 2017. More information on this \$27.7 million project is available at [ConnectingArkansasProgram.com](http://ConnectingArkansasProgram.com).

Drivers 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).

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