



## INFORMATION RELEASE

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### **Construction on U.S. Highway 70 Requires Lane Closures in Garland and Saline Counties**

**GARLAND AND SALINE COUNTIES (1-8)** – Construction work to widen U.S. Highway 70 requires lane closures for paving operations in Garland and Saline Counties, according to Arkansas Department of Transportation (ArDOT) officials.

Beginning **Tuesday, January 9**, crews will perform paving operations on U.S. Highway 70 at State Highway 88 and also on State Highway 128, which will require flagging operations and lane closures. Weather permitting, the lane closures will occur **Tuesday, January 9 through Saturday, January 13, between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.**

➤ **U.S. Highway 70**

Eastbound and westbound lanes will alternately be closed on U.S. Highway 70 at its connection with State Highway 88. Lane closures will also be in place on State Highway 88.

➤ **State Highway 128**

Northbound and southbound lanes will alternately be closed beginning at U.S. Highway 70 and ending a quarter mile north of U.S. Highway 70.

This project (Job CA0610) is part of ArDOT's Connecting Arkansas Program and includes widening 17.5 miles of U.S. Highway 70 from I-30 in Benton (Exit 111) west to the interchange with U.S. Highway 70 Business in Hot Springs (Exit 6). The highway is being widened to two lanes in each direction with a continuous center turn lane. The project is anticipated to be complete in mid 2018. More information on this \$78.5 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 [ArDOT.gov](http://ArDOT.gov). You can also follow us on Twitter [@myARDOT](https://twitter.com/myARDOT).