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Pavement & Bridge Deck Rehabilitation Requires Lane Closures on both I-540 and I-40 in Van Buren and Fort Smith

CRAWFORD & SEBASTIAN COUNTIES (5-24) – Bridge deck rehabilitation and paving requires lane closures on both Interstate 540 and Interstate 40 in Van Buren and Fort Smith, according to Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) officials.

Weather permitting; the following closures will be put into place:

- The inside northbound lane of I-540 between U.S. Highway 71 (Exit 12) and Airport Dr. (Exit 9) will be closed starting **Tuesday night, May 28 at 11:59 p.m.** and will remain in place until work is complete, which is estimated to take approximately six weeks.
- The inside southbound lanes of I-540 between Rogers Ave. (Exit 8) and U.S. Highway 71 (Exit 12) will be closed between **8:00 p.m.** and **6:00 a.m.** nightly starting on **Wednesday, May 29.**
- Alternating lanes of I-40 between mile markers 0 and 22 will be closed two miles at a time in each direction while crews remove and replace asphalt. These lane closures will be in place between **8:00 p.m.** and **6:00 a.m.** nightly starting on **Wednesday, May 29** and continue until work is complete, which is estimated to take until mid-2020.

Traffic will be controlled with signage, barricades and traffic barrels. Drivers should exercise caution when approaching and traveling through all highway work zones. Additional travel information can be found at IDriveArkansas.com or ARDOT.gov. You can also follow us on Twitter [@myARDOT](https://twitter.com/myARDOT).