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Improvements to Southwest Drive Require Lane Closures in Jonesboro

CRAIGHEAD COUNTY (7-7) – Construction work to improve U.S. Highway 49 (Southwest Drive) will require lane closures in southwest Jonesboro, according to Arkansas Department of Transportation (ARDOT) officials.

Weather permitting, construction crews will begin asphalt work on Southwest Drive at **4:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 7**, between the intersection of Parker Road and Highway 226 near Gibson. The total length of the project is six miles. This work will require **intermittent lane closures** Monday through Friday until the work is complete, which is estimated to be five weeks.

This work is part of job number A00001, a \$1.8 million contract awarded to Atlas Asphalt. The purpose of this project is to resurface 6.0 miles of U.S. Highway 49.

Traffic will be controlled by traffic cones, flaggers, and signage. 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).