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I-85 LANE CLOSURES NEAR EXIT 41 AND SR 16

COWETA COUNTY – The Georgia Department of Transportation announces lane closures on Interstate 85 near Exit 41 (State Route 14/US 27 Alt) and SR 16 beginning Monday, August 3, through Thursday, August 6. The closures are subject to change based on weather conditions.

SR 16 at I-85 East and Westbound Lane Closures

Monday, August 3

Near mileposts 13 - 14

TIME: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

1 right and left lane closed; 1 remains open to traffic in both directions

Interstate 85 Southbound Lane Closures

Monday, August 3, daily through Tuesday, August 4

Near mileposts 42 - 40

TIME: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

1 right lane closed; 1 lane remains open to traffic, for work near Exit 41 (State Route 14/US 27 Alt)

Interstate 85 Northbound Lane Closures

Wednesday, August 5, daily through Thursday, August 6

Near mileposts 42 – 44

TIME: 8 a.m. – 4 p.m.

1 right lane closed; 1 lane remains open to traffic, for work near Exit 41 (State Route 14/US 27 Alt)

The scheduled completion date for this project is December 31, 2009. Motorists should expect shoulder and lane closures on a continuing basis and are advised to use extra caution in construction work zones.

Speed limits have been reduced and will be strictly enforced. Message boards, signs, barricades, barrels and cones will be utilized to alert and channel motorists through the area.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this or any other construction project on interstates and state routes. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane closures, and delays due to inclement weather. Callers also can transfer to operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at www.511ga.org.

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