

## GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION Media Alert

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LANES AND RAMPS ALSO CLOSED ON I-285

## I-75 RESURFACING AND PGA CHAMPIONSHIP BIGGEST TRAFFIC CONCERNS THIS WEEKEND

ATLANTA –Work on I-75 south of I-20 and the PGA Championship on State Route 141 in Johns Creek to the north will present the biggest traffic problems to motorists this weekend according to Georgia Department of Transportation officials. Lane and ramp closures will slow traffic on I-285 between Chamblee Tucker Road and Ashford-Dunwoody Road as well.

The biggest trouble spot will be on State Route 141/Medlock Bridge Road in Johns Creek as the PGA event continues throughout the weekend. Motorists are encouraged to seek routes to avoid the area around the Atlanta Athletic Club unless they are attending the event or have other business in the immediate area. Major delays are expected on SR 141 and surrounding roadways.

On I-75, three northbound left lanes and three right southbound lanes will be closed between University Avenue and I-285 in Clayton County all weekend. Additionally, several southbound ramps in the project area will be temporarily closed for resurfacing and detours will be in place for those ramps.

On I-285, three right eastbound lanes and one right westbound lane will be closed for construction between Chamblee-Tucker Road and Ashford-Dunwoody Road all weekend. The ramps at Chamblee Tucker, Ashford-Dunwoody and Chamblee Dunwoody will be temporarily closed for paving. Well-marked detours will be in place for those ramps while they are closed.

"It is going to be a difficult traffic weekend for motorists around metro Atlanta," said DOT District Construction Engineer Lee Upkins. "All I can say is plan ahead."

Here is a list of this weekend's work:

Clayton & Fulton, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 9pm to 5am, continuously.

<u>I-75 NB</u>, between MP 237 (Forest Pkwy.) and MP 244 (University Ave.), three left lanes; the C.W. grant HOV ramp to I-75 NB (MP 239) all closed for resurfacing.

Clayton, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 11pm to 5am, continuously.

<u>I-75 SB</u>, between MP 238 (C.W. Grant) and MP 238 (I-285), one right lane closed for removal of the weight in motion scale.

Fulton, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 9pm to 5am, continuously.

<u>I-75 SB</u>, between MP 244 (University Ave.) and MP 241 (Cleveland Ave.), three right lanes closed for resurfacing.

Clayton & Fulton, 8/13/11 to 8/15/11, 9pm to 5am, continuously.

**I-75 SB**, between MP 241 (Cleveland Ave.) and MP 238 (I-285), three right lanes closed for resurfacing.

Fulton, 8/12/11 to 8/13/11, 9pm to 9pm.

<u>I-75 SB</u>, between MP 242 (Metropolitan Pkwy.) and MP 242 (Metropolitan Pkwy.), the exit ramp to I-85 closed for resurfacing.

Fulton, 8/12/11 to 8/13/11, 9pm to 9pm.

<u>I-75 SB</u>, between MP 241 (Cleveland Ave.) and MP 241 (Cleveland Ave.), entrance and exit ramps to/from Cleveland Ave. closed for resurfacing.

Fulton, 8/13/11 to 8/15/11, 1am to 5am, continuously.

I-75 SB, between MP 239 (Central Ave.) and MP 238 (C.W. Grant), the exit ramp closed for resurfacing.

Cobb, 8/12/11 to 8/13/11, 8pm to 5am.

<u>SR 120 EB & WB</u>, between MP 15 (Robinson Rd.) and MP 16 (Sewell Mill Rd.), one lane closed for installation of drainage pipe.

Clayton, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 4pm to 5am, continuously.

**SR 54 SB,** between MP 9 (Harper Rd.) and MP 9 (North Lake Dr.), one right lane closed for installation of pedestrian and bicycle tunnel under SR 54SB by the City of Morrow.

Fulton, 8/14/11 to 8/15/11, 7pm to 5am.

**SR 141 SB**, between MP 1 (Roxboro Rd.) and MP 1 (Stratford Rd.), one right lane closed for corridor improvements.

Fulton, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 9pm to 5am, continuously.

SR 166 WB, between (Main St.) and (Main St.), ramp closed for conduit rehabilitation.

DeKalb, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 9pm to 5am, continuously.

<u>I-285 EB</u>, between MP 27 (GA 400) and MP 30 (N. Peachtree Rd.), three right lanes closed for milling and paving.

DeKalb, 8/13/11 to 8/15/11, 12am to 5am, continuously.

<u>I-285 EB & WB</u>, between MP 34 (Chamblee Tucker Rd.) and MP 34 (Chamblee Tucker Rd.), one right lane (WB) and the ramps (EB) closed for milling and paving.

DeKalb, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 9pm to 5am, continuously.

<u>I-285 EB</u>, between MP 29 (Ashford Dunwoody Rd.) and MP 29 (Ashford Dunwoody Rd.), ramp closed for milling and paving.

DeKalb, 8/12/11 to 8/15/11, 9pm to 5am, continuously.

<u>I-285 EB</u>, between MP 30 (Chamblee Dunwoody Rd.) and MP 30 (Chamblee Dunwoody Rd.), ramp closed for milling and paving.

DeKalb, 8/12/11 to 8/13/11, 9pm to 5am.

<u>I-285 EB</u>, between MP 33 (Chamblee Tucker Rd.) and MP 34 (Chamblee Tucker Rd.), ramp closed for milling and paving.

Each day, hundreds of Georgia Department of Transportation employees and contractors work on dozens of highway, bridge and intersection improvements throughout the state. Their work often brings them and heavy machinery in close proximity to travel lanes. Fifty-seven Georgia DOT personnel and many more motorists, passengers and contractors' workers have been killed in highway work zone accidents since 1973. Please help us prevent these tragedies by slowing down; being especially attentive and cautious as you pass through construction work zones; and always driving responsibly. Safer Driving; Safer Work Zones; For Everyone.

Georgia DOT urges travelers to call 511 for updated information about this project. Georgia 511 is a free phone service that provides real-time traffic and travel information statewide, such as traffic conditions, incidents, lane closures, construction, and delays due to bad weather. Callers can also reach live operators to request assistance or report incidents 24 hours a day, seven days a week. More information is available at <a href="www.511ga.org">www.511ga.org</a>. Georgia 511 – we'll get you there

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