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### **EXPECT DELAYS THIS WEEKEND AS CONTRACTOR CONTINUES WORK ON I-75 WIDENING PROJECT**

**WHEN:** Beginning at 7 a.m. Saturday, August 24 until 5 a.m. Sunday, August 25, weather permitting

**WHERE:** I-75 north and southbound near Exit 169; Arkwright Road

**WHAT:** The Georgia DOT has been notified by the contractor of the scheduled closing of a single inside lane (1 lane of 2) on I-75 north and southbound for work in the median. Work will begin at 7 a.m. Saturday, August 24 and continue until 5 a.m. Sunday, August 25, weather permitting.

This is a WORK ZONE and extreme caution is necessary. Motorists are advised to reduce speeds as they travel through this construction work zone. Message boards, barrels and cones will be utilized to alert the public of the upcoming traffic changes. Drivers should be aware that personnel and equipment will be operating in close proximity to travel lanes.

*Motorists can access real-time, statewide, route-specific information on accidents, road work, traffic and weather conditions through **Georgia 511** - a free phone service. By dialing 511, callers also can transfer to operators to 24 hours a day to report incidents or request assistance. The system can be used to access transit providers, major airports, rideshare organizations, tourism information and 511 systems in surrounding states. Additionally, 511 is available online. Georgia DOT partners with sponsors for assistance in funding 511, thereby preserving tax dollars and helping sustain critical services. For more information about 511, visit [511ga.org](http://511ga.org). For more information on Georgia DOT, please visit [www.dot.ga.gov](http://www.dot.ga.gov) or subscribe to our Press Release [RSS feed](#). You also may follow us on [Facebook](#) ([www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT](http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT)) and [Twitter](#) (<http://twitter.com/qadepoftrans>).*

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Five-hundred, forty-five fewer people died on Georgia roads in 2012 than in 2005. Highway fatalities have declined in each of the seven years since 2005. The 2012 total-recently finalized in a report to federal officials-was 1,199. By comparison, 2005 deaths were a record high 1,744.

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