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To Accommodate Easter, Spring Break and Braves Traffic...

Georgia DOT Limits Construction Lane Closures Next Two Weekends

ATLANTA – Motorists traveling this weekend or next for Easter, Spring Break, or for the Atlanta Braves’ opening home stand, should find their trips less stressful thanks to construction lane closure restrictions by the Georgia Department of Transportation. This Easter weekend, Georgia DOT will limit lane closures on Interstate Highways throughout the state from midnight Friday, April 3, until 5 a.m. Monday, April 6.

The following weekend, all interstates across Georgia will limit lane closures from 10 p.m., Friday, April 10, until 5 a.m., Monday, April 13. To accommodate Braves Baseball opening weekend traffic, lane closures will not be allowed on surface streets in the vicinity of Turner Field in Atlanta during this period .

“We urge motorists to exercise caution as crews may still be working in proximity to highways and safety concerns may require long-term lane closures to remain in place,” said GDOT Director of Construction Jeff Baker. “Also, incident management or emergency maintenance-related lane closures could become necessary at any time on any route.”

Traffic is expected to be heavy throughout the state during these weekends. Georgia DOT reminds drivers to eliminate distractions, expect the unexpected and plan before getting on the road. 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 24 hours a day to report incidents or request assistance.

The 511 system can also 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. For more information on Georgia DOT, please visit www.dot.ga.gov or subscribe to our Press Release RSS feed. You also may follow us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) and Twitter (<http://twitter.com/gadepoftrans>).

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