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## **“DODGING THE RAIN” BUT LANE CLOSURES PLANNED FOR I-85 THIS WEEKEND**

ATLANTA – The weekend forecast is calling for rain but the Georgia DOT is hoping that will change so scheduled sign construction on I-85 can proceed. So far, contractors still have the sign work scheduled and other work in several locations around Atlanta including the I-85/State Route 400 Interchange project and gas line work on I-20 in the city.

The sign work on I-85 will require two left lanes to be closed in both directions each night between Clairmont Road and Lenox Road. The work hours are 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m.

Various single lane closures will be in place in and around the State Route 400/I-85 Interchange project on routes including the Buford-Spring Connector (SR13), Cheshire Bridge Road, Sidney Marcus Boulevard and on State Route 400.

On I-20, up to three eastbound lanes will be closed overnight Friday from Hill Street to Cherokee Avenue for maintenance work on a gas line. The work hours are 9:00 p.m. until 4:30 a.m.

Additionally, one right southbound lane on the Buford-Spring Connector (SR 13) will be closed from 9:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. each night for bridge joint replacement from Lindbergh Drive to Monroe Drive.

“We really want to get some work done this weekend but I think we’ll be dodging the rain,” said District Construction Engineer Shun Pringle. “But, hopefully we can make some progress.”

All work is weather permitting.

*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 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 information on the Department of Transportation, visit <http://www.dot.ga.gov>; you also may follow Georgia DOT on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT) (<http://www.facebook.com/GeorgiaDOT>) and [Twitter](https://twitter.com/gadepoftrans) (<http://twitter.com/gadepoftrans>).*

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