

# I-85 at SR 42/North Druid Hills Road Project

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Fact Sheet

## What is the Project?

To reduce crashes and improve traffic flow, the Georgia Department of Transportation is making improvements at the I-85 and SR 42/North Druid Hills Road Interchange, including:

- Adding a displaced left-turn interchange for the westbound to southbound movement
- Constructing an additional bridge over I-85, parallel to North Druid Hills
- Constructing a braided ramp from the I-85 northbound (NB) off-ramp to I-85 NB access road
- Replacing the bridge on SR 42/North Druid Hills Road over North Fork Peachtree Creek

## 5 Things You Need to Know

1. A 90-day detour is required to rebuild the SR 42/North Druid Hills Road bridge over North Fork Peachtree Creek, which will minimize overall impacts and lessen construction duration. This detour is five miles long and is expected to start April 26, 2024.
2. A displaced left turn (DLT) will be added to the interchange to allow left turning vehicles and through traffic to travel simultaneously through the intersection. The DLT will reduce the number of conflict points and help improve mobility in the corridor.
3. The project team is collaborating with Children's Healthcare of Atlanta and Emory to provide a new signalized intersection at the new Children's driveway with Emory's realigned Executive Park Drive. The project team is also collaborating with Children's on the early opening of the hospital's driveway.
4. The North Druid Hills Road Bridge over North Fork Peachtree Creek will be replaced with a wider bridge that's better equipped for increasing traffic levels in the area. The new bridge structure will also be beneficial for pedestrians with wider sidewalks and ADA compliant ramps at crosswalks.
5. The completion of this project will reduce crash frequency and congestion at the interchange of I-85 and SR 42/North Druid Hills Road.

## Where is the Project?



## What's the Status?

In February, Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) contractors commenced preliminary work at the State Route 42/North Druid Hills Road bridge over North Fork Peachtree Creek to complete required construction ahead of the planned 90-day bridge closure.

The bridge closure and 90-day detour are anticipated to begin on April 26, 2024.

## What's Next?



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