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Traffic Advisory

TRAFFIC ADVISORY

WORK TO RESULT IN TEMPORARY CLOSURES OF I-695 AND RAMP TO I-95

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WHAT: Weather permitting, all lanes of westbound Interstate 695 in the area of Interstate 95, north of Baltimore and the ramp from westbound I-695 to southbound I-95 (Exit 33), will be closed.

WHEN: **On Thursday, March 27 from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning, the ramp from westbound I-695 to southbound I-95 will be closed.**

Motorists wishing to access southbound I-95 from westbound I-695 will be directed to southbound US 1 (Exit 32, Belair Road), to eastbound I-695 and to southbound I-95.

On Sunday, March 30 from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. the following morning, westbound I-695 and the ramp from westbound I-695 to I-95 southbound will be closed at I-95.

The detour route will direct motorists from westbound I-695 to northbound I-95, to westbound MD 43 (Exit 67 B, White Marsh Boulevard), to southbound I-95. Motorists may access westbound I-695 from southbound I-95.

WHY: Contractors will performing work associated with the I-95 Express Toll LanesSM (ETLsSM) Project.

The I-95 ETLs Project spans from the I-95/I-895 split in northeast Baltimore to just north of MD 43 in White Marsh. Once complete, it will result in a total of two new ETLs and four general-purpose lanes in each direction that are accommodated by bridge and interchange improvements. Motorists will have the option of using the general-purpose lanes at no cost or paying a toll to use the ETLs, which will be managed to maintain relatively congestion-free traffic flow.

Information on the I-95 ETLs Project, detour maps, live traffic images and the ETLs Project video can be found at www.I-95ExpressTollLanes.com.

The Maryland Transportation Authority is an independent State agency that finances, owns and operates the State's seven toll facilities. The Authority's eight Members, appointed by the Governor with consent of the State Senate, serve as the agency's policy-setting and governing body. Maryland's Secretary of Transportation serves as Authority Chairman.

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