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MAJOR TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGE ON SOUTHBOUND I-95 AT I-895 SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, JULY 19

*I-95 Traffic to Stay Left Toward Baltimore;
I-895 Traffic Moves to the Right Lanes*

BALTIMORE, MD – The major traffic pattern change on southbound Interstate 95 at Interstate 895, north of Baltimore, which was scheduled to go into effect Sunday, July 12, is now scheduled to take place by 8 a.m. Sunday, July 19, weather permitting. The probability of inclement weather on Saturday, July 11 and Sunday, July 12 prompted the decision to delay the work until this weekend.

As part of the I-95 Express Toll LanesSM (ETLsSM) Project, the new traffic pattern will switch the current configuration for the approximately 100,000 daily travelers who use southbound I-95 and I-895.

Currently, southbound I-95 traffic exits on the right at the I-95/I-895 split, while I-895 traffic travels in the left lanes. Once the new pattern goes into effect, I-95 traffic will remain in the left lanes, while I-895 traffic will move to the right lanes.

All southbound I-895 and I-95 exits south of the split will not change.

The new configuration is to allow for construction of new Express Toll Lanes. In addition, it will improve motorists' safety – the majority of travelers will utilize the higher-speed left lanes and will not need to merge to the right as they have in the past.

To prepare for the new traffic pattern, all lanes of southbound I-895 will be closed at I-95 from approximately 10 p.m. Saturday, July 18, to 8 a.m. Sunday, July 19. **The detour route will direct motorists to southbound I-95, to Eastern Avenue (Exit 59), to northbound I-95, to Moravia Road (Exit 60), to southbound I-895.**

Motorists are urged to pay extra attention to directional signs and electronic message signs and use extreme caution in this area as drivers become acquainted with the new traffic pattern. Detour routes will be posted on electronic and static message signs for motorists who may miss their intended routes.

Visit **I95ExpressTollLanes.com** for project information and live traffic images. For Express Toll Lanes active lane closures and for traffic information statewide, visit **traffic.md.gov**.

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.



ABOVE: NEW SOUTHBOUND I-95/I-895 TRAFFIC PATTERN