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GALLOWS ROAD BRIDGE AND I-495 NORTH RAMP REOPENS

ALEXANDRIA— By evening rush, Friday, Aug. 12, crews will open the new northbound Gallows Road (Route 650) bridge over I-495 with two lanes of traffic in each direction and restoring access to I-495 north according to the Virginia Department of Transportation.

The restored I-495 north access includes the left turn lane and traffic signal from southbound Gallows Road.

Motorists should expect lane closures to continue prior to the Gallows Road bridge as crews perform curb and gutter work along southbound Gallows Road until late August.

Leading up to the bridge southbound traffic will have one through lane and the right lane will continue onto I-495 south until all curb and gutter work is complete.

When curb and gutter work is finished, two through lanes approaching the bridge on southbound Gallows Road will be restored.

As part of the Capital Beltway High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes Project, crews began rebuilding the northbound Gallows Road bridge in May 2010 under an accelerated schedule. As a result, the new bridge is opening 10 months ahead of the original schedule.

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About the HOT Lanes Project: Bridge and road work is underway along all the Capital Beltway's interchanges inside the HOT Lanes Project work zone between the Springfield Interchange and just north of the Dulles Toll Road. These new bridges and interchange connections are part of the \$260 million infrastructure replacement in support of the \$1.4 billion Capital Beltway HOT Lanes project. The project is on schedule for completion by late 2012. For updated project information please visit www.VAmegaprojects.com