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URGENT: I-66 Westbound Detour Cancelled Tonight; Will Take Place Saturday and Monday Nights

Tonight's scheduled overnight closing of I-66 westbound at the Dulles Connector Road (Route 267) has been delayed until overnights Saturday, Oct. 2, and Monday, Oct. 4, from midnight until 5:00 a.m..

This closure affects drivers bound for destinations along I-66 west of Arlington.

Through traffic will be detoured on to the Dulles Connector Road westbound, then to Route 123 south toward Tysons Corner, to a right turn on to the ramp to the Capital Beltway south toward Richmond. Drivers can then rejoin I-66 from the Beltway.

To avoid the closure, drivers bound for destinations inside the Capital Beltway may find alternate routes via other local westbound roads by exiting I-66 prior to the I-66/Dulles Connector Road split. For example, traffic bound for the Falls Church City/Broad Street and Idylwood areas can exit before the detour and use Route 29/Washington Street to connect with Broad Street (Route 7 west).

The closure is necessary to allow Dulles Rail construction crews to continue building the large concrete structures that will straddle over the road between piers. These "straddle bents," as they are called, will support the new rail line near where it will merge into Metro's existing Orange Line.

The Dulles Corridor Metrorail Project is a 23-mile extension of Metro's existing Orange Line. The project is managed and owned by the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority. The design-build construction contractor is Dulles Transit Partners. For information on the project, visit the project website at www.dullesmetro.com or call 703-572-0506. To report construction-related emergencies, please call the project's HOTLINE at 877-585-6789.