Traffic Advisory

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REMINDER: US 58 WEST TO LONDON BOULEVARD SOUTH OFF-RAMP TO REOPEN WEDNESDAY
 Remainder of Harbor Drive from London Boulevard to High Street to permanently close

PORTSMOUTH – The Elizabeth River Tunnels (ERT) Project team, in partnership with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT), plans to reopen the London Boulevard South off-ramp from US 58 West tomorrow, Oct. 8.

In preparation for the London Boulevard South ramp reopening, motorists traveling from Norfolk to Portsmouth using the Midtown Tunnel or Route 164 into Portsmouth will follow a detour to the Port Norfolk exits beginning tonight, Oct. 7 at 9 p.m. through Wednesday, Oct. 8 at 5 a.m.

As the ramp opens, the portion of Harbor Drive/MLK Freeway from London Boulevard to High Street will permanently close to traffic. This area will soon see work on the future raised expressway as part of the new Martin Luther King (MLK) Extension. Motorists traveling into Portsmouth on US 58 West from the Midtown Tunnel or Route 164 will be rerouted to London Boulevard North or South. Signed detours will be in place to direct motorists around the closure.

Completion of the MLK Extension will create an efficient, connected transportation network, providing direct access between the Downtown and Midtown tunnels. Additionally, new changeable message signs on the MLK Extension will improve communication of traffic conditions to motorists.

A schedule of the closures and alternate routes can be found on DriveERT.com. Current lane closure information is available on VDOT’s weekly lane closure forecast. Due to the nature of construction, dates are subject to change and are weather dependent. Visit www.va511.org, call 511 or listen to Highway Advisory Radio (HAR) 1680 AM or call the VDOT Traffic Information Line at 757-361-3016 for current traffic and travel information.

Headquartered in Portsmouth, Virginia, Elizabeth River Crossings OpCo, LLC, is the private partner of the Virginia Department of Transportation for the design, construction, finance, operations and maintenance of the Elizabeth River Tunnels Project, with SKW Constructors, JV as Design-Build contractor. For more information on the Elizabeth River Tunnels Project, visit www.DriveERT.com. Follow us on Twitter at https://twitter.com/DriveERT.

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