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Detours for I-66 Westbound Traffic at Dulles Connector Start Aug. 25 and 26

I-66 westbound at the Dulles Connector Road (Route 267) will be closed overnight tomorrow night, Wednesday, Aug. 25 and Thursday night, Aug. 26 because of Dulles Metrorail Project construction.

These closures are the first of many intermittent overnight closings that will take place over the next four to five weeks. Specific dates of additional closures will be announced when the closings are scheduled.

The closures will allow Dulles Rail construction crews to build large concrete structures that will straddle the highway between piers, which will support bridges and structures carrying the new rail line near where it will merge into Metro's existing Orange Line.

Traffic will not be allowed to flow under this construction work for safety reasons.

The closings will take place between midnight and 5:00 a.m. All lanes will be reopened by the morning rush.

During these closures, drivers bound for destinations along I-66 west of Arlington will be affected.

Through traffic will be detoured on to the Dulles Connector Road westbound, then on 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 westbound I-66 from the Beltway.

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 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.

