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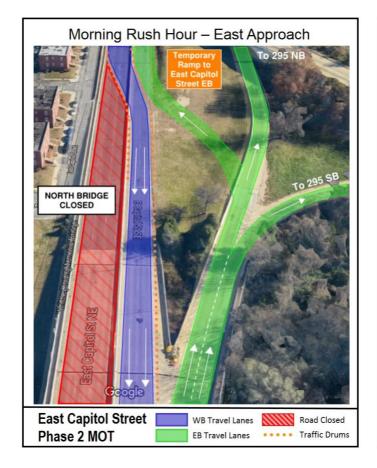
## Traffic Pattern Change on East Capitol Street Bridge Begins on August 29

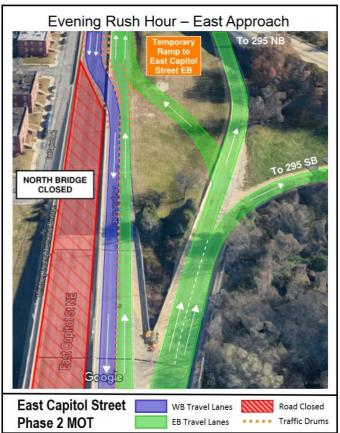
**(Washington DC)** The District Department of Transportation (DDOT) will change the traffic pattern on the Whitney Young Memorial Bridge (also known as the East Capitol Street Bridge) starting on Thursday, August 29, weather permitting. This traffic pattern change is necessary to begin Phase 2 operations on the Rehabilitation of the Whitney Young Memorial Bridge Project. The following changes will be in place and are further exhibited in the graphics below:

Full closure of the north bridge with all traffic being shifted to the south bridge. Three lanes of traffic will be maintained on the south bridge at all times, using a reversible middle lane to allow for two lanes of inbound traffic during morning rush hour and two lanes of outbound traffic during evening rush hour traffic.



On the east side of the bridge, a temporary ramp will be used to maintain connectivity to eastbound East Capitol Street.





Bicycle and pedestrian traffic will be detoured to the south (eastbound) bridge sidewalk during Phase 2 construction. A newly constructed trail connection will provide connectivity to the Anacostia Riverwalk Trail.

The Phase 2 traffic configuration will be in place through the end of the year. DDOT will notify the public in advance of the next traffic pattern shift.

The speed limit will be reduced to 30 mph during Phase 2 to ensure public and worker safety. Please adhere to this speed limit reduction. Fines are doubled in construction zones.

Traffic controls and signage will be in place to safely guide all travelers through the work zone. Motorists should anticipate delays and are all travelers are advised to stay alert and use caution when in this area.

Additional information and graphics are available on the project website: www.eastcapbridge.com.

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