



Pentagon Update – September 2017

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New 395 Express Lanes Web Page Focuses on the Pentagon

The 395 Express Lanes Project has created a new web page specifically for Pentagon employees and visitors who wish to learn more about upcoming activities: 395ExpressLanes.com/pentagon.

The new web page provides links to the latest Pentagon-related updates about the project, including lane closures and traffic alerts. The page also provides contact information for those who have questions about the impact construction will have on the Pentagon Reservation.

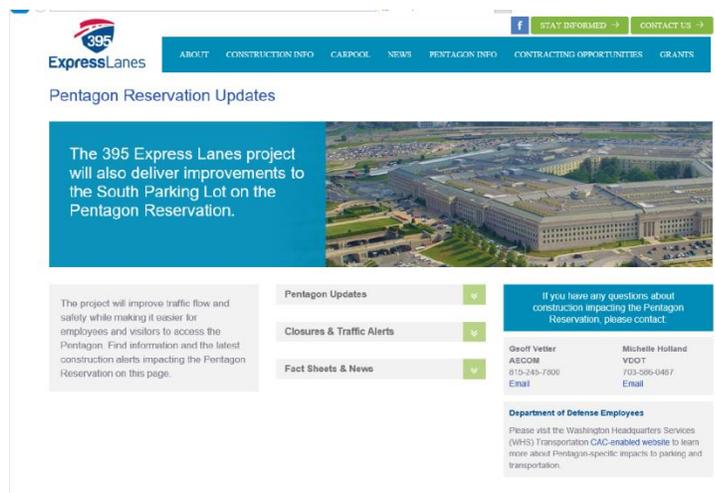
The 395 Express Lanes project will extend the existing 395 Express Lanes northward from Turkeycock Run near Edsall Road in Alexandria to the Washington, D.C. line. Along that stretch, workers will construct a third reversible lane to the existing high-occupancy vehicle (HOV) lanes and convert all three to Express Lanes. Upon completion, vehicles equipped with an E-ZPass Flex transponder and carrying three or more passengers can use the Express Lanes for free, while vehicles with one or two passengers will have the option to use the Express Lanes for a fee that varies based on congestion.

The 395 Express Lanes project benefits the thousands of commuters who work at or near the Pentagon, as well as the many carpoolers or commuter bus users transferring at the Pentagon to continue to their destination. By reconfiguring the Pentagon's South Parking area and adding a new bus loop, as well as reconfiguring the slug stations to improve traffic flow and safety for buses and carpools, the project's benefits extend well beyond the express lanes.

Other key project features include adding a fourth regular lane on I-395 Southbound between Duke Street and Edsall Road interchanges. Additionally, the project includes rehabilitating several I-395 bridges, and building new sound walls to protect neighboring communities.

The project is anticipated to cost approximately \$500 million, with a combination of private and public funds. The express lanes are scheduled to open in Fall 2019, and other elements of the project are expected to be completed by Summer 2020.

We urge drivers to stay informed on the construction progress and any lane closures by visiting the 395 Express Lanes Project website – 395ExpressLanes.com/pentagon.





FSD Director's Message



After several months of preparation, planning, and collaboration between DoD internal stakeholders and VDOT, construction has commenced at the Hayes Street Parking Lot, the first 395 Express Lanes Project impacting the Pentagon Reservation. For your safety, please adhere to all construction and detour signs while construction around the Pentagon is underway. I look forward to the mobility and access improvements these projects will bring to the Pentagon Reservation.

Hayes Street Parking Lot Reconfiguration Underway

Construction began this month on changes to the Hayes Street Parking Lot related to the 395 Express Lanes Project. Variable message boards were posted near the lot entrance to notify drivers about the construction. Workers will prepare the eastern portion of the Hayes Street lot for the relocation of the Visitor Tour Bus Parking area that is currently located in the Pentagon South Parking Lot. The work will eliminate about 155 parking spaces in the Hayes Street Lot to make room for 6 tour bus drop-off spaces.

The western portion of the Hayes Street lot will remain open during construction, with periodic exceptions on weekends. Project workers will maintain pedestrian access at all times during construction.

The Hayes Street lot conversion should be complete in October 2017. Stay tuned to future newsletter articles for further updates. Additional project information can be found at www.395ExpressLanes.com/pentagon.

