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## **Full Closures of up to 20 Minutes on Eastbound I-66 Inside the Beltway from Midnight to 4 a.m. This Week *Closures Required for Toll Gantry Installation***

**ARLINGTON** - Eastbound Interstate 66 inside the Beltway will be closed for 20-minute intervals from midnight to 4 a.m. on Tuesday, March 7; Wednesday, March 8; and Thursday, March 9. Starting at 9:30 p.m. in advance of each of the closures, the right lane of the highway will be closed to mobilize a crane that will lift the gantries; the right lane will reopen by 5 a.m. Should weather conditions delay any of the lifts, the work will occur overnight on Saturday, March 11.

To ensure the public's safety, Virginia State Police troopers will stop and hold eastbound traffic ahead of the gantry-lifting operation. Traffic will be released after the 20-minute operations are completed.

Closures will also occur eastbound on the Dulles Connector Road (Route 267) between midnight and 4 a.m. on Friday, March 10.

### Details:

- Tuesday, March 7 (overnight Monday) Gantry 3: Located at I-66 mile marker 71, between Sycamore St. and Glebe Rd.
- Wednesday, March 8 (overnight Tuesday) Gantry 2: Located at I-66 mile marker 68, between Route 7 and Lee Hwy./Washington Blvd.
- Thursday, March 9 (overnight Wednesday) Gantry 1: Located at I-66 mile marker 66, between I-495 and Route 7.
- Friday, March 10 (overnight Thursday) Gantry 5: Located at Route 267 mile marker 27, east of Chain Bridge Rd.

The gantries support electronic tolling equipment that reads the E-ZPass and E-ZPass Flex transponders, which will be required in all vehicles traveling on the future Rush Hour Toll Lanes. Last year, VDOT awarded the tolling construction contract to Fort Myer Construction, which also includes installing approximately 125 electronic and static signs. A separate contractor, TransCore, is responsible for developing and operating the tolling system on behalf of VDOT.

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