

Media Advisory

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Third construction phase of I-44 Riverside Dr. to Yale Ave. project in Tulsa begins Tuesday

A \$40 million widening project in the I-44 corridor between Riverside Dr. to just east of Peoria Ave. is scheduled to start Tuesday. This is the third of four construction phases for the \$360 million I-44 Riverside Dr. to Yale Ave. project. Work in this phase includes:

- Widen I-44 from four to six lanes
- Replace structurally deficient bridge at Peoria Ave.
- Improve entrance and exit ramps at Peoria Ave.
- Removal of eastbound I-44 off-ramp to Riverside Dr.
- Addition of protected turnarounds at Peoria Ave.
- Extension of Arkansas River bridge over Riverside Dr. to accommodate entrance/exit lanes for Peoria Ave.
- Construction of soundwalls on the north and south sides of I-44

The I-44 Riverside Dr. to Peoria Ave. project is scheduled to take approximately two years to complete. During the first weeks of the project, short-term lane closures will be announced for surface work on the existing lanes. Additionally, crews will also begin construction on several soundwalls in this corridor.

Message boards are already in place around Tulsa alerting drivers to current traffic conditions in this I-44 corridor. As delays can be expected in this area, drivers are urged to check daily lane and ramp closure information in the Traffic Advisories section of www.okladot.state.ok.us. The overall I-44 Riverside Dr. to Yale Ave. corridor is expected to complete in 2013.

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