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Georgia 400 Tolls to End Friday, November 22 *Toll collection scheduled to end after rush hour*



Construction crews removing "toll" signage from GA 400 in preparation for the end of tolls

The State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA) has announced that the Georgia 400 tolls will officially end Friday, November 22, weather permitting. Toll collection is scheduled to end after rush hour to lessen the impact on the GA 400 commute.

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In July 2012, Governor Deal announced that the state would pay off its bond debt and end tolls on GA 400 by December 2013. Southeastern Site Development, Inc., of Newnan, has been contracted for the construction component of the project and will be managed through the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT).

"The ending of GA 400's tolls fulfills a promise made to commuters," said SRTA Executive Director Christopher Tomlinson. "Enough tolls have been collected to pay for the original construction of the road and the new connector ramps to I-85, plus other needed projects in the GA 400 corridor. This road has had a tremendous economic impact on the city of Atlanta, the Buckhead business district, north Fulton County and other communities along the highway."

"We thought it wise to conclude toll collections on a Friday evening so that motorists will have the entire weekend to become acclimated to the new traffic pattern," GDOT Commissioner Keith Golden noted. "Still, we urge commuters the following Monday morning to be particularly cautious while driving through the plaza area."

The demolition project will be completed in the fall of 2014.

THINGS TO REMEMBER:

Slow Down and Stay Alert - The Toll Plaza is now an active construction zone, with a 45 mph speed limit. For the safety of motorists and construction workers, please use caution when driving through the Toll Plaza as the GA 400 Tollway Demolition Project continues.

Keep Your Peach Pass - Your Peach Pass account stays active, and is only charged when you use it. So even though the GA 400 tolls are ending, be sure to keep your Peach Pass for use when you need to bypass traffic using the existing I-85 Express Lanes, or the planned I-75 Express Lanes south of Atlanta (coming in 2016); and I-75/575 Express Lanes in the Northwest Corridor (coming in 2018). However, if you do decide to close your account, your full balance, including any automatic replenishments, will be refunded.

GA 400 Road Race on Nov. 17 - The Georgia State Games will conduct a four-mile road race celebrating the 20th anniversary of the opening of the GA 400 Extension and the ending of tolls on the roadway on November 22. The race will begin at 8:30 am at Glenridge Drive running straight down GA 400 through the Toll Plaza and finishing at Phipps Plaza on Lenox Road. Runners and walkers will pay their 50-cent toll as they pass through the toll lanes, with the proceeds donated to benefit Strong4Life. Pre-registration is required. For more information or to register for the race, go to www.georgiagames.org/GA400.

For Peach Pass account information or for more information on the GA 400 Tollway Demolition Project, visit www.PeachPass.com or call 1-855-PCH-PASS (724-7277).



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More Lane Closures for GA 400/I-85 Interchange Connector Ramp Construction Planned for Nov. 8-13

Single-lane closures to accommodate construction on the GA 400/I-85 Connector Ramps are planned for the coming week. From November 8-13, expect intermittent single-lane closures on the Buford Highway ramp to I-85 North, Cheshire Bridge Road going eastbound, and Sidney Marcus Boulevard headed eastbound and westbound.

The closures will be required as crews continue deck pouring, metal decking installation, and work on the overhang, edge beam, and diaphragm for the flyover bridges that will connect GA 400 and I-85. The completed project will include connector ramps from GA 400 southbound to I-85 northbound and from I-85 southbound to 400 northbound, as well as a pedestrian trail from Cheshire Bridge Road to Lenox Road, with a bridge across North Fork Peachtree Creek.

The ramps and pedestrian trail are expected to be complete in January 2014.

View more photos of project in progress at www.georgiatolls.com.

GA 400 LANE CLOSURES for Removal of the Old MARTA Buckhead Bridge Continue Through November 17

Intermittent lane closures to accommodate the removal of the existing MARTA exit bridge are scheduled to continue through Sunday, November 17.

During that period, GDOT will close two southbound lanes of GA 400 and the Lenox Road on ramp at various times during removal of emergency exit bridge located across GA 400 southbound, just south of the Lenox Road exit.

The demolition will require the removal of guard rails, an abutment wall, four beams and a concrete landing over the MARTA station.

Scheduled closures are as follows:

Friday Night 11/8/13:

- 8:00 PM - 11:00 AM- Single right lane of GA400 SB for chip bridge deck and remove guardrail on existing MARTA pedestrian bridge

Saturday Night 11/9/13:

- 9:00 PM - NOON (Sunday) - Two left lanes of GA400 SB for chip bridge deck and remove guardrail on existing MARTA pedestrian bridge

Monday Night 11/11/13:

- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Two left lanes of GA 400 SB for chip bridge deck and remove guardrail on existing MARTA pedestrian bridge;
- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Single left lane of GA 400 NB for standing seam roof installation

Tuesday Night 11/12/13:

- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Right lane of GA 400 SB for chip bridge deck and remove guardrail on existing MARTA pedestrian bridge
- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Single left lane of GA 400 NB for standing seam roof installation

Wednesday Night 11/13/13:

- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Right lane of GA 400 SB for chip bridge deck and remove guardrail on existing MARTA pedestrian bridge
- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Single left lane of GA 400 NB for standing seam roof installation

Thursday Night 11/14/13:

- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Right lane of GA 400 SB for chip bridge deck and remove guardrail on existing MARTA pedestrian bridge
- 9:00 PM - 5:00 AM - Single left lane of GA 400 NB for standing seam roof installation



Friday Night 11/15/13:

- 10:00 PM - 11:00 AM - Two left lanes closed, a lane shift and Lenox Road on ramp closure to remove existing MARTA pedestrian bridge beams, landing and abutment wall

Saturday Night 11/16/13:

- 10:00 PM - NOON (Sunday) - Two left lanes closed, a lane shift and Lenox Road on ramp closure to remove existing MARTA pedestrian bridge beams, landing and abutment wall

To learn more about other GA 400 Improvement Projects, go to www.georgiatolls.com.