



# Traffic Alert

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**REMINDER: MAJOR TRAFFIC PATTERN CHANGE  
SCHEDULED THIS WEEKEND  
I-495 NORTH LEFT EXIT TO I-66 WEST TO CLOSE**  
*Right exit open and widened*

**ALEXANDRIA**— On or about Oct. 1, Exit 49C, the left exit from I-495 north to I-66 west will permanently close to traffic. Drivers will be required to use the existing right exit ramp, Exit 49A, I-66 west. The right exit ramp will have two lanes to accommodate the additional traffic.

Motorists will need to be in the right lane on I-495 north as they approach the I-66 interchange to access Exit 49A, I-66 west. The merge point onto Exit 49A, I-66 west has been relocated to before the I-66 overpasses.

The closure of the left exit ramp is necessary to shift traffic to the new Beltway outer lanes and allow progress to begin on a new HOT Lanes access ramp that will be built in place of the existing left exit for I-66 west.

Motorists are encouraged to use caution in this area as a new traffic pattern will be in place. This work is part of the Capital Beltway High Occupancy Toll (HOT) Lanes Project.

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**About the HOT Lanes Project:** Bridge work is underway along all the Capital Beltway's interchanges inside the HOT Lanes Project work zone between the Springfield Interchange and just north of the Dulles Toll Road. These new bridges and interchange connections are part of the \$260 million infrastructure replacement in support of the \$1.4 billion Capital Beltway HOT Lanes project. The project is on schedule for completion by late 2012. For updated project information please visit [www.VAmegaprojects.com](http://www.VAmegaprojects.com)