



Lincoln Blvd. Changes Result in New Access for Boathouse District

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Oklahoma Department of Transportation officials are pleased to announce that access to the Boathouse District will soon be on its permanent route on Lincoln Blvd. Engineers are delighted to be able to open the permanent segment to the boathouse facilities before holiday activities.

Beginning Friday afternoon, drivers will notice a change in the Lincoln Blvd. traffic pattern. There will be a jog on Lincoln Blvd. to Reno Ave. and a new traffic signal. Drivers are asked to be alert to the changes and follow the new signs. Message boards are in place in the area to give drivers advance notice of the changes.

Overall, work in the area is progressing nicely with construction of the new I-40 Crosstown. Paving projects are tracking toward being complete over the next few months and when finished, traffic will start moving to the new interstate lanes.

Even after traffic starts driving on the new interstate, construction in the corridor will continue because a sizeable amount of work will still remain to be completed on the mainline.

The final phase of the Crosstown will be to build the downtown thoroughfare and connections. The old highway structure will be dismantled in 2012 to make way for the new downtown roadway and to fully link downtown Oklahoma City with the new I-40 Crosstown.

The new 10-lane Crosstown is a 4.5 mile-corridor between I-44 (Amarillo junction) and I-35/I-235 (Dallas junction) being built about five blocks south of the existing interstate. The overall Crosstown project, which includes the downtown reconnection to the interstates, is estimated at more than \$670 million using federal dollars and state funds.

Information for drivers is posted in the Traffic Advisories section of www.okladot.state.ok.us.

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