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We’re transforming I-66 to provide safer, more reliable travel options for more people across Northern Virginia.

VADEN DRIVE BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION UPDATE
Demolition of the Vaden Drive bridge over I-66 is nearly complete. The remaining bridge piers along I-66 next to the Metrorail tracks are being demolished during overnight hours.

Construction has begun on both the north and south abutments for the new Vaden Drive bridge. Crews will begin constructing new bridge piers in the center median adjacent to Metrorail. The new bridge is anticipated to open in September 2020.

Learn more

PARTIAL DEMOLITION OF I-66 BRIDGES OVER ROUTE 29 IN CENTREVILLE

The I-66 bridges over Route 29 are being reconstructed as part of the Transform 66 Outside the Beltway Project. These bridges are being lengthened, widened, and raised to accommodate the new Express Lanes and provide room for future mass transit along I-66 and future widening of Route 29 for new lanes and pedestrian improvements. Work is being done in phases to maintain traffic on I-66 throughout demolition and reconstruction.

The first phase of demolition of the I-66 bridges is planned for the overnight hours December 20, 21, and 22, when needed traffic pattern changes can occur on Route 29. Click here for additional information and updates on traffic changes and construction activities around the Route 29 Centreville Interchange.

Additional construction progress over the last month includes:

- Final paving of the remaining parking spaces at University Boulevard Park and Ride Lot in Gainesville
- Partial demolition of the University Boulevard bridge over I-66 to allow new Express Lanes ramps to be built
- Retaining wall work
- Construction of the Balls Ford Park and Ride Lot in Manassas
- Small charge blasting east and west of the Route 28 Interchange, at the Route 29 Centreville Interchange, and east of the Route 234 Business Interchange
- Noise wall removal and replacement
- Waterline relocation work at Jermantown Road, Stringfellow Road, Northbourne Drive, and Gallows Road
- Construction of utility duct bank along eastbound I-66

E.C. LAWRENCE PARK ENTRANCE ROAD

CHANGEOVER COMPLETE
Drivers must now use the new entrance road to access the E.C. Lawrence Park athletic fields. The old entrance from Route 28 closed on Dec. 12. The new entrance (5000 Stonecroft Boulevard) opened Nov. 13 on the north side of the park, accessible from Westfields Boulevard.

The traffic signal on Route 28 will remain in place for use with upcoming detours and traffic pattern changes necessary for construction of the new bridge that will connect Braddock and Walney Roads.

In addition to relocating the park entrance, more than 100 new parking spaces were added near the ballfields. A shared-use path will open adjacent to the new access road in 2020. Additional information on the new access road can be found on the project website.

COMMUTER BUS SERVICE EXPANDED FROM NEW GAINESVILLE PARK AND RIDE LOT

Commuter bus service continues to expand from the new University Boulevard Park and Ride Lot in Gainesville. Earlier this month, Omniride added four more departures each morning with service to the Pentagon and Washington.

Commuters now have nine morning departures between 4:53 and 7:33 a.m. that serve the Pentagon before continuing into the District of Columbia for four stops, including near L’Enfant Plaza and the Navy Yard. Twelve buses run between the Pentagon and the University Boulevard lot in the evenings.
Half-price fares ($3.45 each way with a SmarTrip card) are in effect during Transform 66 construction. For more information and the full bus schedule, click [here](#).

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**DRIVE SAFELY IN WORK ZONES THIS WINTER**

**NO PHONES NEAR CONES**
Focus on the road and avoid distraction while driving.

**AVOID ACCELERATING OR BRAKING SUDDENLY**
It is harder to control or stop your vehicle on a slick or snow-covered surface.

**CLEAR ALL SNOW FROM YOUR VEHICLE BEFORE TRAVEL**
Snow and ice falling from vehicles creates additional hazards.

**HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY SEASON!**

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**STAY INFORMED**

Get construction information and lane closure alerts by email. Register below.