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---TRAFFIC ALERT---

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WACO – Two Nights of Full I-35 Mainlane Closures Wed. & Thurs, Sept. 12 & 13. Both Northbound and Southbound Lanes to Close for Forrest St. Bridge Construction

On Wednesday, Sept. 12 from 7PM-7AM and again on Thursday, Sept. 13 from 7PM-7AM, I-35 mainlanes, both northbound and southbound, will close to allow the contractor to set beams for the new Forrest St. Bridge. Northbound mainlane traffic will detour off I-35 at Exit #335C/MLK Blvd, and re-enter the highway at the first available on-ramp after Forrest St. Southbound mainlane traffic will detour off I-35 at a temporary exit near Elm Ave. (see attached maps), and re-enter the mainlanes at University Parks Dr.

Access roads on both sides of the highway will be signaled to allow detoured traffic to run without stopping for lights, so cross traffic will not be allowed at MLK Blvd or at University Parks Dr. Alternate routes for crossing I-35 are strongly advised during the closure(s).

Warning signs will be in place to assist motorists, and Loop 340 will be available as an alternate route. Alternate routes are advised during this time, and travelers are advised to obey all warning and detour signs.

This work is planned weather permitting.

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Road conditions and traffic updates available on www.My35.org, Facebook: www.facebook.com/txdot
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Efforts to improve the I-35 corridor throughout the state would not be possible without the support of local governments, the Texas Legislature and the U.S. Congress. In addition to the ongoing \$1.9 billion dollar expansion of I-35 through TxDOT's Waco District, a number of critical projects are underway in the Dallas/Fort Worth region to improve I-35 connections to I-820 and I-635 thanks to a partnership with the private sector. Meanwhile, TxDOT continues to plan for the long-term future of the I-35 corridor through the MY 35 citizen-driven planning process. For more information about I-35 expansion projects or the MY 35 planning effort, visit www.my35.org. Follow us on [Twitter.com/I35Travel](https://twitter.com/I35Travel).

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