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UPCOMING TOTAL CLOSURE OF THE EASTBOUND AND WESTBOUND I-10 MAINLANES AND VARIOUS I-10/I-610 DIRECT CONNECTORS

(Houston) – This weekend, October 21-24, 2005 the Texas Department of Transportation's contractor for the I-10/I-610 Interchange reconstruction will totally close I-10/Katy Freeway eastbound and westbound from Washington Avenue to Silber. Additionally, four of the eight I-10/I-610 Interchange direct connector ramps will be closed. The closures are required to complete the demolition and removal of the out-of-service northbound lanes of I-610/West Loop south of US 290. The related freeway and ramp closures are detailed below including the scheduled dates, times and designated detours for each.

SCHEDULED CLOSURES AND DETOURS

Starting Friday, October 21 at 9 PM until 5 AM, Monday, October 24 the mainlanes of I-10 eastbound and westbound (including the HOV) between Silber and Washington Avenue will be closed*. I-10 eastbound traffic will be detoured to I-610 southbound to U-turn at San Felipe and enter I-610 northbound to access I-10 eastbound. I-10 westbound traffic will be detoured to exit Washington Avenue to access Old Katy westbound to connect to the I-10 westbound frontage road to re-enter I-10 just west of Silber. Also starting Friday, October 21 at 9 PM until 9 PM, Saturday, October 22, the following direct connectors will be closed.**

- I-10 Westbound to I-610 Southbound Direct Connector Ramp -- *Detour to I-610 northbound, exit at 18th Street and U-turn to access I-610 southbound.*
- I-610 Northbound to I-10 Westbound Direct Connector -- *Detour to I-610 northbound, exit at 18th Street and U-turn to access the I-610 southbound direct connector ramp to I-10 westbound.*
- I-10 Eastbound to I-610 Northbound Direct Connector -- *Detour to I-610 southbound and U-turn at San Felipe to access I-610 northbound*

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- I-610 Southbound to I-10 Eastbound Direct Connector -- *Detour to Old Katy Road and travel east on Washington Avenue to access I-10 eastbound.*

Each of the closures and the designated detours discussed above will be indicated with advance notice signage and police officers will be on-duty to assist in the direction of traffic at the various freeway closures and intersections.

For more information on the Katy Freeway Reconstruction Program including up to date information regarding other lane closures along the I-10 corridor, please visit the Katy Freeway website at www.katyfreeway.org or contact the Katy Freeway Public Information Office at 281-589-5924.

*Refer to the linked graphic http://www.katyfreeway.org/Katy_Closure/I-10_Mainlanes_Closure.html for an illustration of the designated closures and detours for October 21-24, 2005 I-10 mainlane closures.

**Refer to the linked graphic http://www.katyfreeway.org/Katy_Closure/I-10_Mainlanes_Closure.html#Map2 for an illustration of the designated closures and detours for the various October 21-22, 2005 I-10/I-610 Interchange closures.

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