

## PROJECT UPDATE



### SAFETY SPOTLIGHT

With a new school year underway, children will be waiting for the bus at the end of their driveways or on the side of a road. Drivers should use EXTRA caution, near bus stops, schools, playgrounds, and athletic fields.

When you see a school bus slowing down or stopping, it's not just the bus that you need to have your eyes on – but the surrounding area too. Children wait at least several feet away from a bus and often cross the street when they're getting on/off the bus. This is why you must stop for school buses, and don't attempt to pass.

**It is illegal to pass a school bus.** School bus passing poses a significant threat to children and others on the road. It is illegal to pass a school bus while the red lights are flashing, and the stop sign-arm is extended.

**Understanding School Bus Lights:** School bus drivers use flashing lights to alert you that they are doing something. The lights are listed below:

- Yellow flashing lights indicate the bus is preparing to stop to load or unload children. You should slow down and prepare to stop your vehicle.
- Red flashing lights and extended stop arms indicate the bus has stopped and children are getting on or off. You must stop your car and wait until the red lights stop flashing, the extended stop arm is withdrawn, and the bus begins moving, before you can start driving again.

#### Tips when approaching a school bus:

- SLOW DOWN.
- Stay at least 100 feet behind a school bus at all times.
- Expect the unexpected when traveling near school buses in school driveways.
- State law prohibits passing a school bus from any direction with its lights flashing. Never pass a school bus when its stop sign/arm is out and red lights are flashing. Some school buses are equipped with cameras to record passing drivers.
- Do not begin driving/passing until the lights are turned off and stop sign is secured and the bus begins moving.
- Watch for children:
  - Especially when driving in neighborhoods with school zones.
  - Walking in the street, especially if there are no sidewalks in the neighborhood.
  - Playing and gathering near school bus stops.

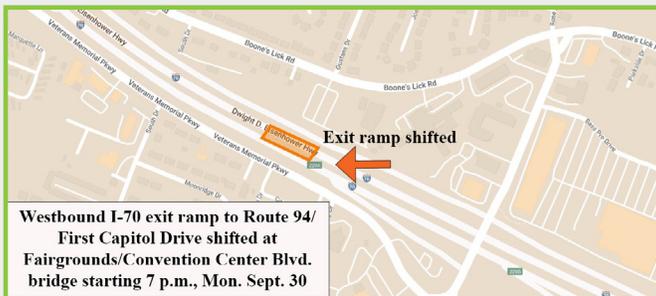


### NAVIGATING THE WORKZONE

We are nearing the end of the I-70 Cave Springs to Fairgrounds Design-Build project. Crews are focusing most of their efforts on completion the new north outer road before the November completion date. Westbound Interstate 70 drivers exiting at the Route 94/First Capitol Drive ramp will notice the westbound exit will be slightly shifted at the Fairgrounds/Convention Center Boulevard bridge starting Monday night, September 30. All work is weather permitting.

Crews will stripe the westbound lanes for the traffic shift Monday night. By Tuesday, October 1, the westbound lane will be shifted to the left.

The on ramp from Fairgrounds/Convention Center Boulevard to westbound I-70 will reopen Tuesday, October 1. Work will continue on the new North Outer Road alongside westbound I-70 between Fairgrounds/Convention Center Boulevard and Route 94 during this construction phase.



### CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

In order to mark the completion of the project, the team will host a ribbon cutting ceremony on October 29 at 10 a.m. at the Cave Springs commuter lot. All are welcome to come mark this milestone with the team.