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**I-495 Capital Beltway HOT Lanes Project**  
**Bridge Demolition**  
**Route 29 (Lee Highway) Overpass at I-495**  
**Begins the night of Nov. 23**

The Virginia Department of Transportation will begin Route 29 (Lee Highway) night bridge demolition over the Capital Beltway starting the night of Nov. 23. The demolition will last approximately six weeks, weather permitting, to allow construction crews to build a new bridge as part of the I-495 Capital Beltway HOT Lanes project.

During each night of bridge demolition work, two lanes will be closed on I-495 north and south near the Route 29 overpass from 9:30 p.m. to 5:00 a.m. Two lanes will remain open to motorists. Arlington Boulevard (Route 50) west and I-66 west will be impacted with nighttime detours. As demolition progresses across the bridge, lane closures will follow and roll across the Beltway until demolition work is completed. All lanes will reopen at 5:00 a.m.

Traffic delays are not expected during the nighttime closures aside from a minimal delay as motorists adjust to the reduction from four to two lanes during the early hours of the closure set-up period between 9:30 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.

Route 29 over the Beltway will remain open during construction of the HOT Lanes project. The bridge median has been removed and eastbound traffic will be shifted to the westbound side. Two lanes will be open in each direction.

A fact sheet on this work can be found at:

<http://www.vamegaprojects.com/downloads/pdf/FACTSHEETBridgeDemolitionLeeHwy.pdf>

Additional information may also be found on the Capital Beltway HOT Lanes web site [www.VAmegaprojects.com](http://www.VAmegaprojects.com). State police will be onsite for motorists' safety.

**LANE CLOSURES LIFTED ON HOLIDAYS**

No closures will be permitted during the following times:

- Noon Wednesday, Nov. 26, through 9:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 1
- Noon Wednesday, Dec 24, through 9:30 a.m. Monday, Dec. 29
- Noon Wednesday, Dec. 31, 2008 through 9:30 a.m. Monday, Jan. 5, 2009