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Fulton County...

ATLANTA – Georgia Department of Transportation (Georgia DOT) contractors began construction activities of a roundabout at the intersection of Monroe Drive and Armour Drive NE in the City of Atlanta, Fulton County. When completed, the single lane roundabout will enhance safety and improve mobility through this busy intersection.

Stage #1 construction activities began last week, including permanent lane reconfigurations that reduce the southbound lanes approaching the intersection from two lanes to one lane and restriping these roadways. This lane reconfiguration is necessary to continue construction under safe conditions for drivers and workers during future activities, including regrading and resurfacing the roadway and installation of 24" pipe and drainage structures on the west side of the intersection. Over the next two weeks, traffic shifts will likely be required to allow roadway milling and inlay on one side of the road, then on the other.

Several measures have been implemented to accommodate for the traffic impacts of these activities, including:

- Actively adjusting and monitoring traffic signal timing for both the intersections of Armour Drive at Monroe Drive and at the SR 13/ Buford Spring Connector ramp.
- Utilizing traffic control measures including temporary barriers, flaggers, on-site message boards and signage to facilitate traffic flow and allow approaching drivers to choose alternate travel routes and/or additional travel time through the area.
- Implementing "Don't Block the Box" at Armour Drive at SR 13/ Buford Spring Connector to prevent vehicles from blocking the intersection.

Work hours on this project are limited to daytime (9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.) during the week and overnights (8:00 p.m. until 5:00 a.m.) Friday through Monday morning to avoid traffic impacts during peak travel times.

Once complete, features of the new roundabout will reduce delays and improve travel through the intersection, including:

- On Armour Drive southbound, a new right turn lane and left turn lane;
- On Monroe Drive westbound, a shared right turn and through lane;
- On Monroe Drive eastbound, a shared left turn and through lane; and
- The existing right-turn only lane on the SR 13 exit ramp to the intersection will be converted to a shared left and right turn lane.
- In addition, sidewalks, curb and gutter and a bus stop will be constructed.

The \$1.6 million project is scheduled for completion in April 2022, weather and on-site conditions permitting.

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