



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **I-37 NUECES RIVER PROJECT CLOSURES PAUSE FOR THANKSGIVING**

*Nov. 24-28: Lanes to remain open Wednesday through Sunday*

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**CORPUS CHRISTI** – Holiday travel should be a bit easier for motorists driving through the I-37 Nueces River Bridge Reconstruction Project because lane closures are being paused for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Except for emergency closures, all travel lanes will remain open beginning at 6 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 24 through 9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29.

Meanwhile, TxDOT contractors have temporarily closed the southbound I-37 entrance ramp from Labonte Park for reconstruction. The new ramp is expected to be complete in late 2022. Motorists can access southbound I-37 from Labonte Park by continuing on the frontage road and using the entrance ramp after Redbird Lane. Motorists can access southbound I-69/US-77 by continuing on the frontage road and using the entrance ramp after County Road 52.

These recurring lane closures are scheduled to resume 9 p.m. Monday, Nov. 29, and continue Sunday through Thursday nights from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. until further notice:

#### **I-37 Northbound**

- Alternating mainlane closure from the I-37/Ripple Road overpass to north of the US 77 northbound direct connector.
- Frontage road single-lane closure from Ripple to the Nueces River.

#### **I-37 Southbound**

- Alternating mainlane closure from the southbound US 77 overpass exit to Ripple.
- Due to the Labonte Park exit ramp closure, traffic may exit at Sharpsburg, use the turnaround and travel north to Labonte Park.
- Due to the entrance ramp closure from Labonte Park, drivers wishing to enter the southbound I-37 mainlanes from Labonte Park may use the entrance ramp after Redbird.
- Frontage road single lane closure from the Nueces River to Ripple.

#### **I-37/US 77 Direct Connector**

Alternating southbound US 77 lane closures to the southbound I-37 direct connector.

Also, these long-term closures will continue:

#### **Northbound I-37 Labonte Park exit ramp**

This exit ramp will remain closed until the new temporary exit ramp opens at the end of this year. Northbound I-37 drivers may use the Redbird exit and northbound US 77 drivers may use the Sharpsburg exit instead.

#### **US 77 Overpass at I-37**

The overpass will remain closed for two years until the new bridge is constructed.

- Southbound I-37 drivers wishing to access northbound US 77 will be detoured to the Cooper Road exit. Drivers will cross the County Road 1726 overpass, travel south on the northbound I-37 two-way frontage road, continue south to the US 77 intersection and take a left to enter the northbound US 77 mainlanes.
- Northbound drivers on the southbound I-37 two-way frontage road wishing to access northbound US 77 will be detoured to the County Road 1726 overpass, cross the overpass, travel south on the northbound I-37 two-way frontage road to the US 77 intersection and take a left to enter the northbound US 77 mainlanes.

All work is weather permitting. Lane closures are subject to change without notice.

For more information on the I-37 Nueces River Reconstruction Project, follow TxDOT Corpus Christi District's Twitter feed, [@TxDOT\\_Corpus](#), and/or visit the [project webpage](#) at [TxDOT.gov](#) (keyword search "I-37 Redbird to US 77 / Nueces River Bridge") for project information.

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