

Frequently Asked Questions

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Is VDOT planning to shut down I-95 completely at any time during the project?

No. Barring an accident, a weather-related event or the occasional moving of equipment, at least one travel lane will remain open in each direction during construction. I-95 traffic will return to its normal configuration during the day with the exception of occasional construction on weekends.

How will the four-year construction project impact traffic?

During the main construction phase – from October 2011 through fall 2014 – I-95 traffic will be reduced on occasion to one lane in each direction weeknights from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and some weekends. By working at night and on occasional weekends, fewer drivers will be impacted.

What if there's an accident on the bridge during construction or an emergency vehicle needs to get through?

Every effort will be made to keep at least one lane open for emergency use. However, this may not always be possible. Our goal is to remove any vehicles that block the travel lanes as quickly as possible. Traffic in the work zone will be monitored by Virginia State Police.

How can I avoid the construction zone altogether?

I-295, Route 288 and I-195 / Downtown Expressway (toll) offer excellent alternates around the I-95 construction whether you're traveling north, south, east or west. See the map in this pamphlet for directions.



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Coming this way? Expect delays



I-95 Virginia - Major bridge replacement activities through 2014

Interstate 95 Richmond Bridge Restorations

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I-95 Richmond Bridge Restorations Project Alternate Route Map

I-95 Construction Area

Bridges along I-95 from Lombardy Street to Upham Brook will be restored within this seven-mile section in metropolitan Richmond. The main construction phase, which will require lane closures on I-95, will be done at night and on weekends when there are fewer motorists.

I-295

Interstate 295 bypasses the Richmond and Petersburg metropolitan areas. Total distance for this alternate route is 43 miles – only five miles longer than using I-95. This alternate route will allow you to bypass the I-95 construction and save time.

Route 288

Route 288 extends between I-95 in Chesterfield County and I-64 in Goochland County, west of Richmond. Drivers will often use this 32-mile long highway to bypass I-95 through Richmond if their destination is south or west of the city.

Route 195 and I-195

The Downtown Expressway (Route 195) is a 2.5 mile toll road operated by the Richmond Metropolitan Authority. It extends through downtown Richmond where it connects to I-195. The combined I-195/Downtown Expressway routes connect I-64 just west of Richmond to I-95.

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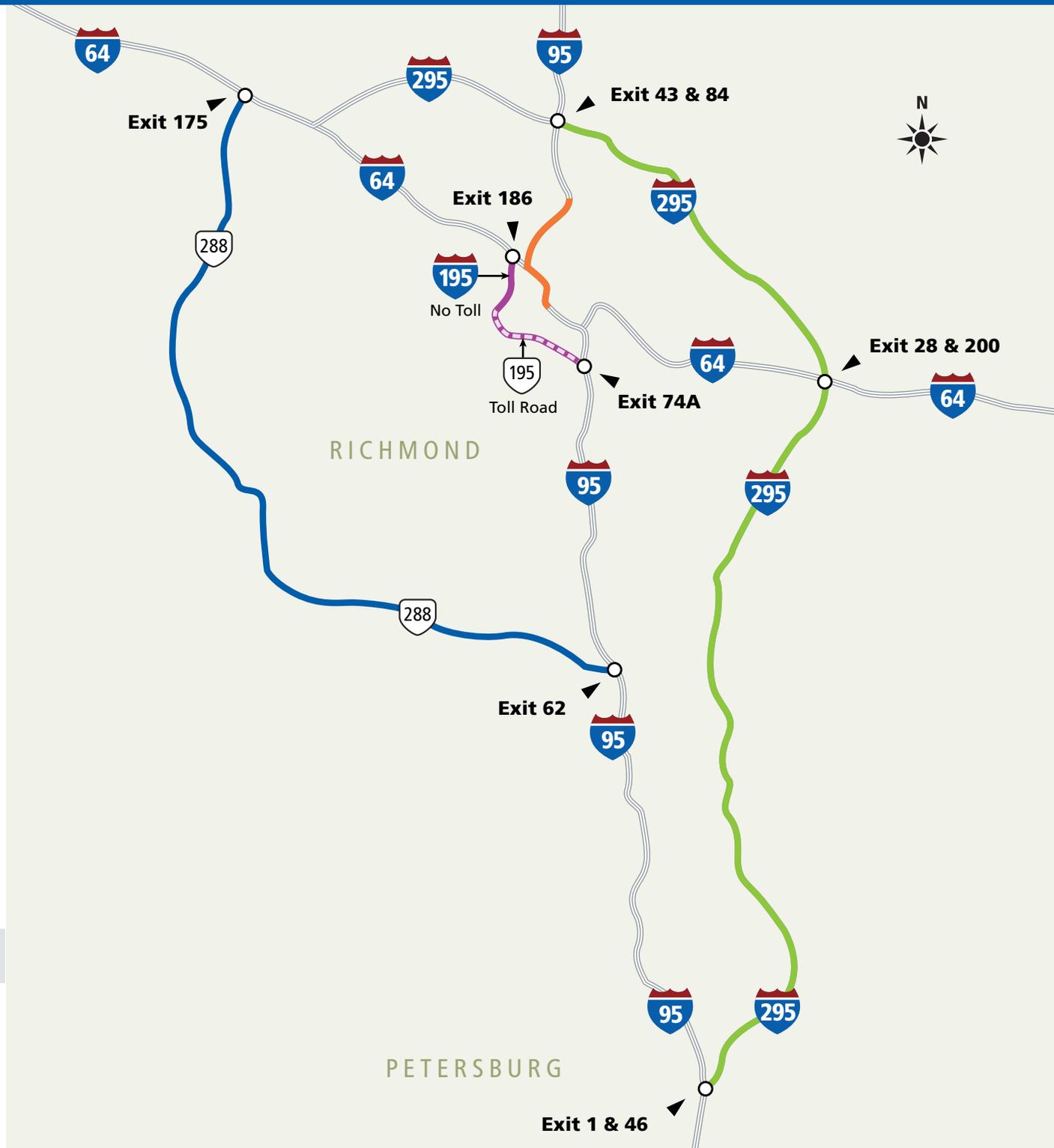
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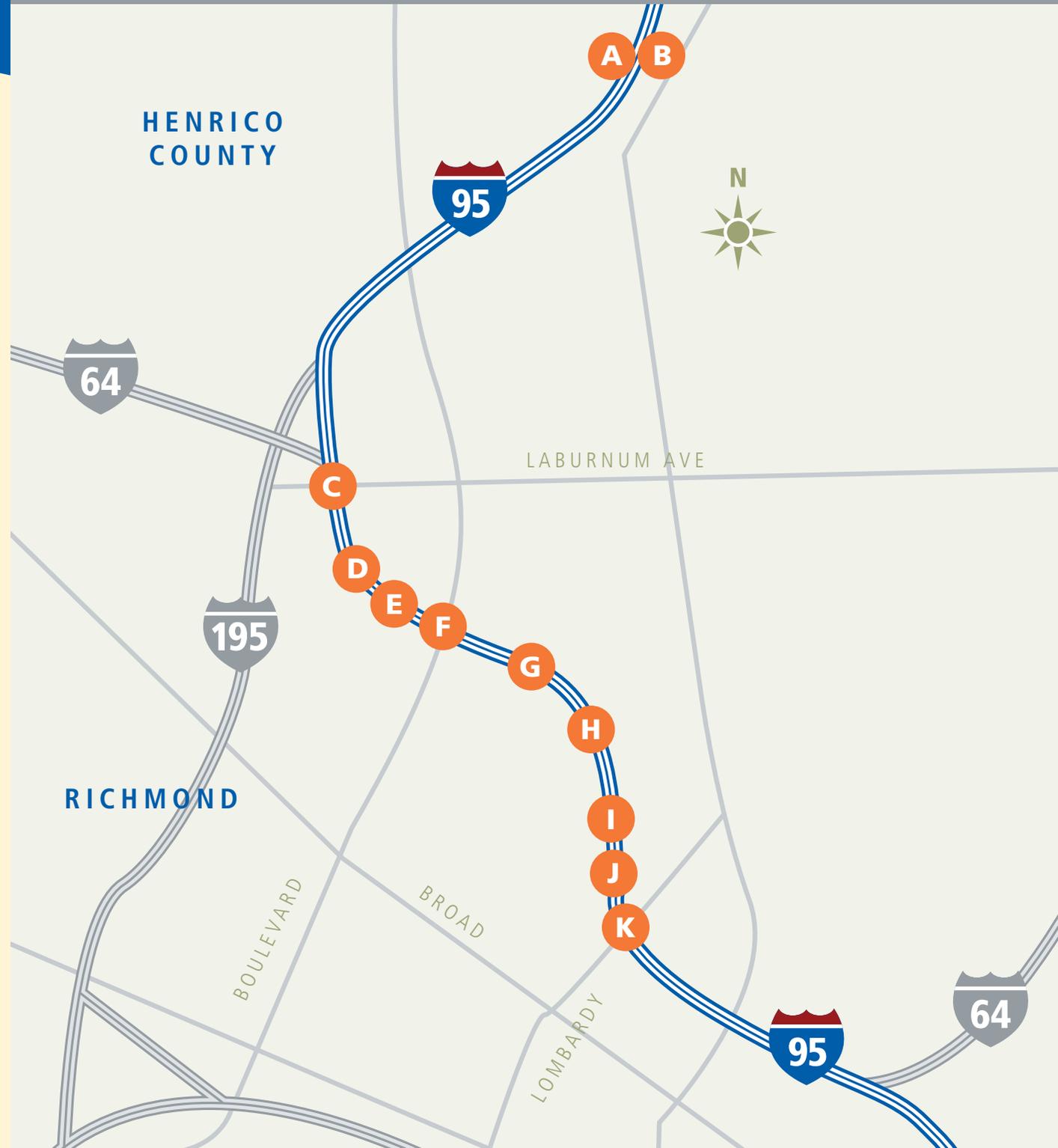
What's Being Done

From October 2011 to fall 2014, VDOT will be replacing 11 bridges along a seven-mile section of I-95 through Richmond between Lombardy Street and Upham Brook (just north of the I-64/I-95 Bryan Park interchange). Traffic on this major thoroughfare will be reduced to one lane in each direction at certain times. Although the work will be done at night and occasional weekends, motorists are advised to use I-295, Route 288 or I-195/Downtown Expressway (toll) to bypass the construction zone and avoid delays. An alternate route map and directions are located in this pamphlet.

The four-year project will be completed in the following phases through fall 2014:

- General roadway and under-bridge repairs
- Laburnum Avenue and Westwood Avenue bridges
- Hermitage Road and the I-95 ramps over the Boulevard
- Overbrook Road, Sherwood Avenue and Robin Hood Road bridges
- Upham Brook (both north and southbound bridges)
- Lombardy Street/CSX bridge

Major bridge replacement activities will begin in October 2011 with the Laburnum Avenue bridge. I-95 lane closures will take place overnight from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. and on some weekends. VDOT will maintain one travel lane on I-95 in each direction during overnight and weekend lane closures.



A Upham Brook (southbound)



B Upham Brook (northbound)



C Laburnum Avenue



D Westwood Avenue



E Ramp over the Boulevard



F Boulevard



G Hermitage Road



H Robin Hood Road



I Sherwood Avenue



J Overbrook Road



K Lombardy Street



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