

Construction Update: I-395 North Auxiliary Lane Project

The Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) began work in March 2014 on a new auxiliary lane on I-395 Northbound between Duke Street and Seminary Road.

Recent Progress

Auxiliary Lane

- Crews have installed storm drainage, curb, and paved and striped the widened area north of the Seminary Road exit. Traffic has been shifted to the right lane and the left lane is now closed to traffic and being used to access the area for the HOV bridge foundation work.
- Crews have started moving south from the Seminary Road ramp with excavation as they prepare for widening operations.



Retaining Walls

- Crews have been excavating and constructing retaining walls on either side of Sanger Bridge.

Storm Drainage

- Storm drainage is being installed near the Duke Street ramp. The pipe will replace the existing ditch that drains into the Holmes Run Trail. Erosion and sediment controls have been implemented in the area to prevent the trail from being affected by the construction activities.



Upcoming Activities

- Crews will be using the new access area adjacent to the HOV lanes near Seminary Road to begin work on the HOV ramp foundation.
- Slope grading continues adjacent to the new lane at the Seminary Road ramp.
- Retaining walls are expected to be under construction until October.
- Storm drainage near Duke Street is expected to be under construction until mid-August.

The I-395 NB auxiliary lane is scheduled to open to traffic in late 2014, in conjunction with the nearby I-95/395 Express Lanes. The \$20 million improvement will provide easier access to the Department of Defense's Mark Center building, and will help alleviate congestion along I-395 North. Construction of a new HOV ramp linking the I-395 HOV lanes to Seminary Road also will be soon underway, with expected completion in 2016.

http://www.virginiadot.org/projects/northernvirginia/i-395_hov-transit_ramp.asp