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Special Traffic Advisory: New Traffic Pattern at Bronx-Whitestone Bridge Begins Saturday, June 25th as Bronx Approach Roadway Deck Replacement Work Continues

A new traffic pattern on the southbound (to Queens) side of the Bronx-Whitestone Bridge will begin Saturday, June 25th as rehabilitation work on the bridge's Bronx approach roadway continues.

Motorists will notice a slight shift as they travel through the construction zone, which will include two lanes to the far right, the work zone near the center lane, and the reversible lane to the far left. Signs will be in place to direct motorists, and drivers are urged to stay in lane.

One of the bridge's three Queensbound lanes will continue to be closed round-the-clock through fall. Throughout the project, three traffic lanes to Queens and the Bronx have been maintained during peak morning and afternoon drive times by using a movable barrier.

In the morning from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. there are three lanes to the Bronx and two lanes into Queens and from approximately 3 p.m. through 7 p.m., and on weekends there are three lanes to Queens and two lanes to the Bronx.

The work, which began in 2008, is part of a four-year, nearly \$200 million project to replace all 1,785 feet of original roadway on the 72-year-old bridge's Bronx approach, construct new foundation and piers beneath the bridge, create wider, 12-foot lanes and add safety shoulders on the bridge for the first time.