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ATLNext Construction Continues; Canopy Installation Project Begins Saturday

Lane closures will have minimal operational impact on passengers; project will enhance customer experience and transform Domestic Terminal exterior

ATLANTA – As part of the \$6 billion, 20-year capital improvement plan ATLNext, Airport officials announced today that pre-construction work on the new canopies at Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport (ATL) will begin Saturday, Oct. 15. This work will have a minimal impact on customers dropping off and picking up passengers, and there will be constant access to parking facilities and pedestrian crossings.

The first round of work will result in the closure of two outer lanes in front of the North Terminal. Additionally, the lower roadway bus lane and the sidewalk at the lower roadway will be partially closed. On Oct. 30, crews will close one exterior lane at the South Terminal and one lane at the lower level. ATL officials are collaborating with Atlanta police and all Airport partners to ensure stakeholders are informed of the changes and given alternate options to mitigate impacts.

The work will lead to the installation of these canopies, which will span both the North and South terminals and connect to both parking decks. Once finished in late 2018, the canopies will provide a dramatic entrance to the Domestic Terminal while enhancing the traveler experience. The canopies will protect customers from the elements and include new pedestrian bridges to the terminal building. Measuring nearly three football fields in length at 870 feet, the canopies will be 185 feet wide and 65 feet high at its tallest point. They will transform the look and feel of the terminal building – and even illuminate at night.

During this project, workers also will clear areas adjacent to the roadway, relocate utilities, build temporary elevators and construct temporary pedestrian ramps.

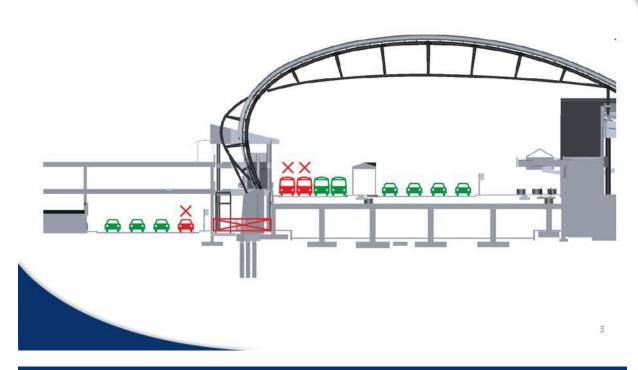
For more information on ATLNext, please visit, http://next.atl.com. Attached are graphics of the planned work. For a link to an animated rendering of the completed canopy, go to https://vimeo.com/158471759





North Terminal Lane Closures beginning October 15, 2016







Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's most traveled and most efficient airport, serving more than 101 million passengers annually with nonstop service to more than 150 U.S. destinations and nearly 70 international destinations in more than 45 countries. ATL boasts a direct economic impact of \$34.8 billion in metro Atlanta and a total direct economic impact of \$70.9 billion in Georgia. The Airport is the largest employer in Georgia, with more than 63,000 employees. The Airport is a frequent recipient of awards of excellence for concessions, operations, sustainability, architectural engineering, and construction. ATL is now in the midst of a \$6 billion capital improvement plan, ATL Next, that will modernize the domestic terminal and concourses, create new parking decks, construct a 300-room hotel, Class A commercial office space, add a new runway, new concourse and expand cargo facilities. For more information, go to www.atlanta-airport.com.

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