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## Hartsfield-Jackson Inbound Roadway Improvement Project Enters Final Phase

## Travelers are advised to pay close attention to new terminal roadway signage

**ATLANTA –** Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport will enter the final phase of its inbound roadway improvement project on Thursday, March 19. Beginning at 5 a.m., motorists exiting the Rental Car Center will be directed north toward Airport Boulevard and to I-85 northbound and southbound, and will not have direct southbound access to Riverdale Road. In addition, motorists leaving the domestic terminal building or Park-Ride Lot C, and travelling to Riverdale Road will take I-85 south and then exit I-85 at the Riverdale Road exit ramp (Exit 71).

Travelers approaching Hartsfield-Jackson from downtown, Camp Creek Parkway, Riverdale Road or on I-85 northbound will not be impacted by this next phase.

As part of the final phase, Airport officials will permanently close Jet Road between Crosswind Road and Airport Boulevard and open the Rental Car Center Parkway Connector. Construction crews will begin phasing in the roadway closure and detour routes beginning on the evening of Wednesday, March 18. Signage will be in place to direct vehicle traffic.

Hartsfield-Jackson's inbound roadway improvement project is designed to provide motorists a safer, more convenient drive to the Airport by upgrading the inbound roadway network between I-85 and Camp Creek Parkway on the north and Riverdale Road on the south. Once finished, the new roadways will provide a better separation of traffic entering and moving through the Airport; allow for better sight distances and more time for decision making, and eliminate difficult traffic-weaving and yield situations.

Travelers should obey the posted 25 miles per hour speed limit and allow extra time when arriving to the Airport.

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## Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport

Hartsfield-Jackson (ATL) is the world's busiest and most efficient airport, serving more than 96.1 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, architectural engineering and construction – including the 2013 Global Efficiency Excellence Award from the Air Transport Research Society, 2013 Project of the Year, Architectural Category for the Maynard H. Jackson Jr. International Terminal from the American

Association of Airport Executives Southeast chapter and the 2012 Best Airport in North America, Business Travel Award from the Business Traveler Magazine. ATL has completed more than \$6 billion worth of capital improvements, including a new, energy-efficient rental car center, a gold LEED-certified international terminal and aesthetic and functional upgrades to its concourses, people movers and parking services. For more information, go to <u>www.atlanta-airport.com</u>. Check out the Airport's YouTube channel by visiting <u>www.youtube.com/AtlantaHartsfield</u>, follow us on Twitter (@Atlanta\_Airport) and become a fan on Facebook (Hartsfield-Jackson Atlanta International Airport).