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Phase 3C Work is Underway

Work is moving forward on Phase 3C of the Carolina Crossroads Project with crews preparing the corridor for several major construction activities ahead.



Culvert extension construction along I-20 eastbound.



Partial demolition of the I-20 bridge over the Saluda River. The original barrier is gone and a temporary barrier is bolted to the existing bridge deck.



View from the westbound side of the Saluda River bridge looking east toward the river. Mobilization of cranes and barges is underway. These will be used during construction of the new I-20 Saluda River Bridge.



View from the eastbound side of the Saluda River bridge looking west. Installation of access roads and a temporary barrier wall to separate construction traffic from the traveling public is complete.

CURRENT WORK

- **Shoulder reconstruction:** Interstate shoulders have been reconstructed in areas throughout the project footprint to prepare for upcoming traffic shifts and construction.
- **Temporary barrier installation:** A temporary concrete barrier is in place to protect construction crews and separate active work areas from live traffic.
- **Drainage improvements:** Drainage work is underway throughout the project corridor.

- **Sewer line installation:** Utility work continues to progress, including the boring of a sewer line beneath I-20.
- **Bridge demolition:** The westbound bridge over the Saluda River is being partially demolished to make room for a new bridge to be constructed adjacent to the current bridge.
- **Bridge foundations:** Drilled shaft foundation work for the new bridge over the Saluda River has begun.

What Drivers Should Know



- Drivers can expect periodic nighttime lane closures as construction progresses over the next two years.
- Drivers are encouraged to stay alert, follow posted work-zone signs and traffic controls, and allow extra travel time when closures are in place.

There's a lot of activity ahead on I-20. Each of these early construction steps is preparing the corridor for larger improvements to come as the project progresses.

UPCOMING PHASE 3C WORK

- **Crane and barge operations:** Cranes have been mobilized for bridge construction, and barges are being placed in the Saluda River to support construction activities. These operations will provide access to the work area and support construction of the new bridge.
- **Major earthwork:** Earthwork and embankment construction are underway. These activities include excavating, grading, and compacting soil to build embankments and prepare the site for upcoming construction operations.



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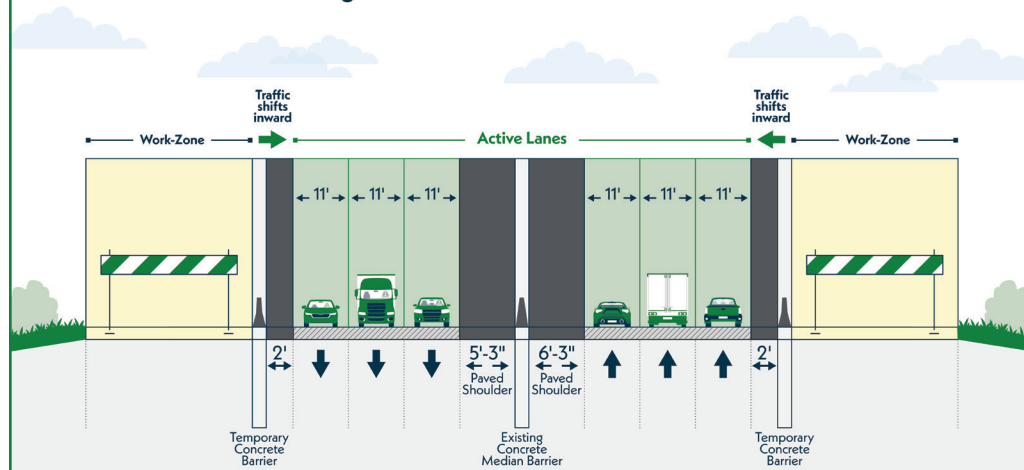
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Phase 3C Stages of Construction

CONSTRUCTION STAGE 1

I-20 Widening Between Bush River Road and US 378



Stage 1 (current stage):

In this stage, all existing lanes will remain open, but slightly narrowed, to create space for shoulder work.

Crews will begin constructing the new bridges beside the existing ones, adding new outside pavement, and installing the eastbound noise wall.

A temporary eastbound exit ramp to Bush River Road (Exit 63) will keep traffic moving while the permanent ramp is rebuilt, and work will begin on the westbound entrance ramp.

Stage 2:

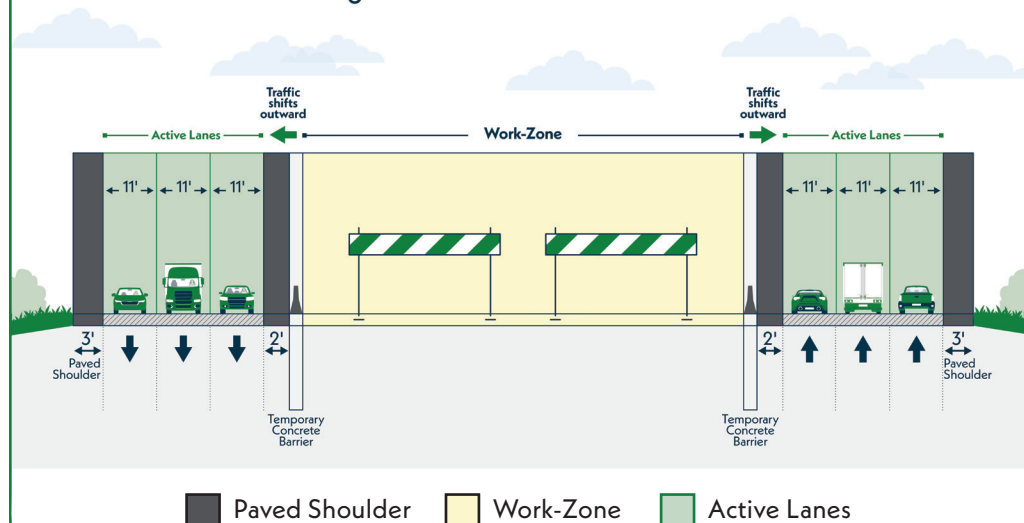
In this stage, traffic will move to the new widened outside lanes, opening the median for construction.

Crews will replace the median barrier, install drainage, and build the center sections of the new bridges.

When work is complete, traffic will shift into the new alignment, with new pavement markings and signs.

CONSTRUCTION STAGE 2

I-20 Widening Between Bush River Road and US 378



Phase 3A Utility Work Begins



We are beginning utility relocation work in preparation for Phase 3A, with construction expected to start in early 2027.



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