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WINTER WEATHER TRAVEL ADVISORY GDOT to Close Northwest Corridor Express Lanes, I-75 South Metro and I-85 Express Lanes Thursday Night, December 22nd Due to Anticipated Inclement Weather

ATLANTA – Due to anticipated inclement weather that will impact road conditions, the I-75 South Metro Express Lanes and the Northwest Corridor Express Lanes will close in both directions at approximately 10:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 22, 2022. I-85 Express lanes and the extension will have closed messaging placed on the toll rate signage starting at 11:00 pm.. The lanes will remain closed until further notice.

The Peach Pass Retail center located at 245 Peachtree Center will be closed December 23rd-26th. Retail Centers located at the Department of Driver Services locations will observe the state holiday on December 23rd and 24th. All centers will reopen Tuesday December 27, 2022.

In addition, the Peach Pass Call Center will accept incoming calls/chats from customers from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm on Friday, December 23rd.

"In coordination with our GDOT partners, the decision has been made to close the Express Lanes and our retail center in an abundance of caution based on weather updates from the National Weather Service," said Heather Aquino, SRTA Interim Executive Director. "Our top priority is the safety of our Peach Pass Customers and all citizens traveling on Georgia's Express Lanes."

The Northwest Corridor Express Lanes run along I-75 from Akers Mill Road to Hickory Grove Road and along I-575 from I-75 to Sixes Road in Cobb and Cherokee counties.

The I-75 South Metro Express Lanes run 12 miles along the median of Interstate 75 from State Route 155 in Henry County to State Route 138 in Clayton County.

The I-85 Express Lanes are made up of a 15-mile corridor that runs from Chamblee Tucker Road (just south of I-285) to Old Peachtree Road in Gwinnett County.

The I-85 Extension adds 10 miles of commuter express lanes north of the existing I-85 Express Lanes in Gwinnett County, ending at Hamilton Mill Road.

About the State Road and Tollway Authority (SRTA)

SRTA is a state-level, independent authority created to operate tolled transportation facilities within Georgia and act as the transportation financing arm for the state. SRTA manages the collection of tolls on Georgia's Express Lanes System through the use of Peach Pass. In 2017, SRTA combined with the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA) to jointly provide the services of both state authorities. The GRTA board continues to oversee developments of regional impact, air quality reporting and regional transportation plan approval.

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