

**Traffic Release &
Latest update on Construction at Wilma Rudolph Blvd. / Bridge over Red River
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Construction to complete this project continues and is on schedule to be complete sometime, on or around, the middle of November.

Starting tomorrow, Wednesday July 20th, all traffic will be moved to the outside lanes on the new concrete deck, next to the new rock cut and new bridge parapet rail. This will be all four lanes (north bound and south bound), thus removing the north bound traffic off of the old existing cantilever bridge. This will facilitate the start of Phase 3 to complete all of the bridge work. This will also allow the contractor to start work to relocate the existing water line at this location, of which, will be moved to the new bridge, allowing Bell Construction to demolish the old cantilever bridge. The water line relocation will take approximately 2 to 3 weeks. The demolition will take place sometime around August 15th, plus or minus a week. Once this is done, work to complete the final phase of the new bridge deck, sidewalk, and parapet rail will begin and take approximately 6 to 8 weeks to complete.

Motorist can expect some minor delays tomorrow while traffic lanes are being moved and should be alert to the changing roadway conditions through this construction zone on a daily basis.