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SECTION OF N.C. 147 IN DURHAM TO CLOSE SEPT. 6

Public meeting being held Tuesday, Aug. 30

RALEIGH — The N.C. Department of Transportation will permanently close a section of N.C. 147 South, known as the spur, in Durham beginning Sept. 6, as part of the Turnpike Authority's Triangle Parkway project. This spur section of NC 147 extends south of the I-40/NC 147 interchange to T.W. Alexander Drive.

All traffic traveling on N.C. 147 southbound will need to take Exit 5A (I-40 East) or Exit 5B (I-40 West) as crews construct the tie-in from the existing N.C. 147 to the newly constructed Triangle Parkway.

When N.C. 147 reopens in December, it will no longer dead end at T.W. Alexander, but will continue onto the new Triangle Parkway.

Motorists traveling southbound on N.C. 147 needing to access T.W. Alexander Drive should use the following signed detour:

- N.C. 147 to I-40 West to N.C. 55 (Exit 278) to N.C. 54 to T.W. Alexander Drive.

Motorists traveling on T.W. Alexander needing to access N.C. 147 North should use the following signed detour:

- T.W. Alexander Drive to N.C. 54 to N.C. 55 to I-40 East to N.C. 147.

Motorists traveling on I-40 needing to access T.W. Alexander Drive should use the following signed detour:

- I-40 to Exit 278 (N.C. 55) to N.C. 54 to T.W. Alexander Drive.

A map is attached with more detailed information on the closure and detour routes.

NCDOT and the Turnpike Authority will host a public meeting on Tuesday, Aug. 30 to provide people and businesses in the Research Triangle Park an opportunity to speak with DOT and Turnpike staff about the construction. The meeting will be held from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at the North Carolina Biotechnological Center located at 15 T.W. Alexander Drive, Research Triangle Park.

For real-time travel information at any time, call 511, visit www.ncdot.gov/travel or follow NCDOT on Twitter at www.ncdot.gov/travel/twitter. Another option is NCDOT Mobile, a phone-friendly version of the NCDOT website. To access it, type "m.ncdot.gov" into the browser of your smartphone. Then, bookmark it to save for future reference. NCDOT Mobile is compatible with the iPhone, Android and

some newer Blackberry phones.

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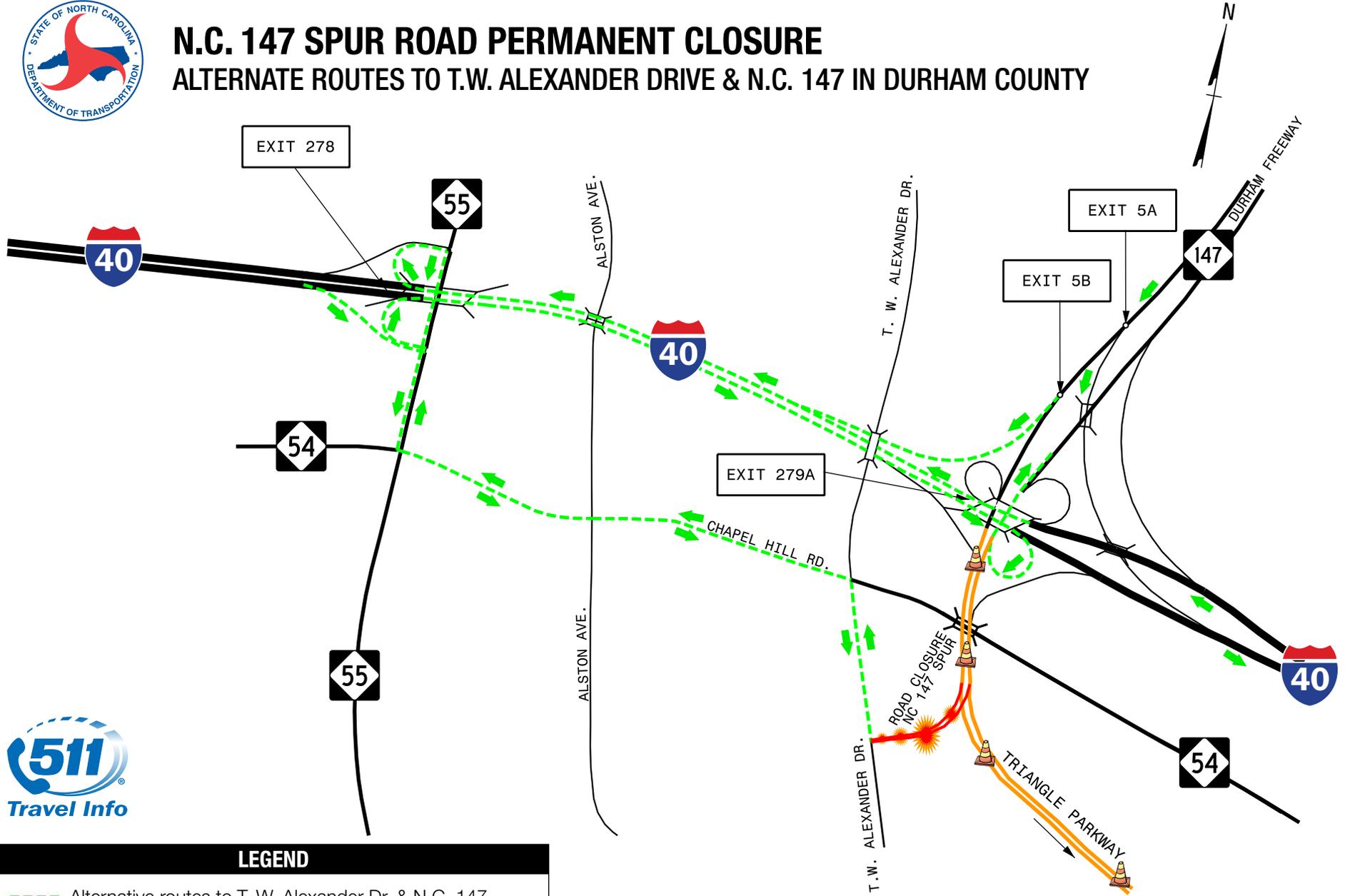
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N.C. 147 SPUR ROAD PERMANENT CLOSURE

ALTERNATE ROUTES TO T.W. ALEXANDER DRIVE & N.C. 147 IN DURHAM COUNTY



LEGEND	
	Alternate routes to T. W. Alexander Dr. & N.C. 147
	Permanent road closure (N.C. 147 Spur Rd.)
	Road under construction expected to open in Dec. 2011

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