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### **Temporary Traffic Pattern to Begin on New Segment of Riverside Parkway**

Loudoun County is scheduled to shift traffic to a new 0.4-mile segment of Riverside Parkway from the intersection of Silvery Blue Terrace to Smith Circle (east), beginning Thursday, April 15, 2021 and ending in early fall 2021. The temporary traffic pattern allows motorists to travel from Smith Circle (east) directly to this new section of Riverside Parkway, recently constructed as part of an ongoing roadway project.

For the duration of the temporary traffic pattern, only one eastbound and westbound lane of the new four-lane, median-separated segment of Riverside Parkway will be open to traffic. Drivers can anticipate turns onto and from connecting roadways to be restricted to one direction and a four-way stop at the intersection of Riverside Parkway, Smith Circle (west) and Garden Center Court.

Electronic message boards will be placed several days prior to the traffic change to alert drivers in advance and will remain in place for approximately three days after the new traffic pattern has been established. Drivers are encouraged to proceed with caution and follow directions provided by the posted signs.

The Riverside Parkway project extends from Silvery Blue Terrace to Loudoun County Parkway at George Washington Boulevard. The project scope includes the construction of a new four-lane, divided road segment, the removal of Lexington Drive on both sides of Route 7, a new Loudoun Water main and the replacement of the existing temporary traffic signal at Loudoun County Parkway and George Washington Boulevard with a permanent signal.

The completion of Riverside Parkway, in conjunction with the planned Battlefield Parkway interchange project, will improve traffic flow and will allow Route 7 to operate as a freeway west of Countryside Boulevard in Loudoun County.

Construction of this segment of Riverside Parkway is expected to be completed by the fall of 2021.

More information about this project and the Riverside Parkway temporary traffic plan can be found at [loudoun.gov/riversideparkway](http://loudoun.gov/riversideparkway).

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