



Upcoming Traffic Pattern Changes

As summer is moving on, progress is being made on a number of transportation related projects in the Dulles South area. Below you will find information on an upcoming lane shift that is part of the Rt. 50 project, plans for the reopening of the Tall Cedars Parkway and Gum Spring Road intersection and a change at the intersection of Braddock Road with Supreme/Summerall Drive.

As always, if you have questions on these items or anything else, please contact me at matt.letourneau@loudoun.gov.

Lane Shift Scheduled for Route 50 on Wednesday, July 30

There will be a shift in the regular traffic pattern on Eastbound Route 50 starting tomorrow--July 30. Eastbound Route 50 traffic will be shifted to the right between Poland Road and Loudoun's Pleasant Valley Road. The necessary work to complete the traffic shift will be done between 10:00am and 3:00pm.

This traffic shift will not affect access to or from any of the side streets or entrances coming off of Route 50.

For more information on the latest timelines and milestones on the Route 50 reconstruction project, visit my website [here](#).

Tall Cedars Parkway and Gum Spring Road Intersection to Reopen on Friday, August 1

Work has been progressing quicker than expected on the reconstruction of the intersection of Tall Cedars Parkway and Gum Spring Road. This intersection was closed in late May when the new Gum Spring Road alignment was opened. The closure allowed crews to reconstruct the intersection to fix elevation issues and add needed turn lanes.

Weather permitting, crews will complete final paving and striping this week and have the intersection open to traffic by Friday, August 1. Please be alert for message boards in the area

that advise of any change in traffic pattern. The detour signs directing traffic to use Greenstone Drive to access Millstream Drive and other areas of Stone Ridge will be removed when the intersection is open to traffic.

Changes Coming to the Intersection of Braddock Road and Supreme/Summerall Drive Next Week

Over the past 2 and a half years I have been contacted by a number of residents in the Kirkpatrick Farms community and parents of those attending Pinebrook Elementary School with concerns over safety at the intersection of Braddock Road and Supreme/Summerall Drive. I, along with Supervisor Clarke, went to VDOT several times requesting analysis of the intersection and a determination on whether the intersection met their warrant requirements for a traffic signal. Each time we were told that it only met one peak hour warrant which was not enough to justify signalization.

Finally, after one last push, VDOT has recently agreed to let the County move forward with plans for the installation of a traffic signal. The Board will likely be taking up the issue of assigning proffer funds for the signal and needed turn lanes on Braddock Road early this fall. I expect the signal to take at least 12-18 months to be completed.

In the short term, VDOT will be installing an all way stop at this location to provide some immediate assistance. I understand that some may think that the all way stop is not ideal, but with the elementary school generating a high volume of traffic and the severity of accidents, we need a measure that can be put in place quickly.

You should see message boards in place by the end of this week and I expect VDOT to complete installation next week. This should provide enough time for drivers to become familiar with the new stop signs before school begins in September.