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**NEW RAMP FROM I-64 WEST TO I-264 EAST OPENING TO TRAFFIC**

*Interchange improvements project reaches significant Phase I milestone*

**NORFOLK** -- The new flyover ramp from Interstate 64 west to Interstate 264 east will open to traffic the night of Wednesday, Aug. 14, increasing capacity and enhancing safety along the highly traveled interchange.

The completion of the bridge marks a major milestone in the first phase of the I-64/264 Interchange Improvements project, which is scheduled for completion this fall.

"Opening this new ramp is a crucial step in improving one of the busiest interchanges in Hampton Roads," said Chris Hall, Hampton Roads district engineer. "Most importantly, we're making travel safer for the more than 100,000 people who live, work and drive here everyday."

The ramp will add capacity at the interchange and remove a conflict point by elevating traffic from the I-64 west ramp over the I-264 east collector-distributor road and placing motorists directly onto mainline I-264 east.

This new traffic pattern, which motorists should anticipate during the Thursday morning commute, will eliminate the jockeying that occurs between drivers leaving I-264 for Newtown Road and those merging onto I-264 from I-64 west.

Because it can take time for motorists to become accustomed to the new traffic pattern, VDOT encourages everyone traveling through the area to use caution and pay attention to signage.

After the new ramp opens, the Phase I contractor will finish construction on mainline I-264 east, which will bring additional capacity to the interchange, and continue work on the sound wall beside I-64 east (Wall R) near Kidd Boulevard, among other items.

Phase II of the interchange improvements project is currently under construction and includes extending the new collector-distributor roadway built in Phase I from the Newtown Road interchange to the Witchduck Road interchange, re-configuring the south side of both interchanges to eliminate the weave movement and building a flyover across I-264 to connect Greenwich Road on the south side of the interstate with Cleveland Street on the north side. That phase is scheduled for completion in fall 2021.



The new ramp from I-64 west to the mainline of I-264 east, shown above, opens to traffic Wednesday night.

For more information on the improvements coming to the I-64/I-264 Interchange and the Newtown and Witchduck ramps, visit [www.i64i264improvements.org](http://www.i64i264improvements.org).

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