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DAYTIME LANE CLOSURE ON SOUTHBOUND I-81 IN ROCKINGHAM COUNTY FOR EMERGENCY PAVEMENT REPAIR
Southbound On-Ramp Closure at Exit 240

STAUNTON – The right lane of southbound Interstate 81 in Rockingham County is scheduled to be closed from 3 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, December 17. During the same 16-hour time period, the southbound on-ramp from Route 257 at exit 240 (Mount Crawford/Bridgewater) will be closed. These traffic restrictions are for emergency milling and paving between mile marker 240 and 237.6.

Extreme cold weather recently caused numerous potholes to form in the southbound right lane through this area, and repaving is intended to provide a durable, long-term repair.

This lane closure may cause significant congestion from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. on December 17. Southbound I-81 drivers can minimize delays by using exit 240 and then following Route 257 west, Route 11 south and Route 256 east to return to the interstate at exit 235 (Weyers Cave/Grottoes) in Augusta County. Motorists affected by the on-ramp closure at exit 240 will need to follow this alternate route to access southbound I-81. Virginia State Police will assist with traffic control.

Interstate maintenance crews are also patching individual potholes along I-81 at various locations in Rockingham and Augusta counties. This will continue on an as-needed basis using mobile lane closures during overnight hours. All work is weather permitting.

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