

## **DOT announces new plans to reroute I-40**

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Starting in late fall, the N.C. Department of Transportation will begin rerouting Interstate 40 from the Greensboro Urban Loop back to its original location, currently signed as I-40 Business.

The plan includes:

- Changing the green I-40 Business signs back to the blue I-40 signs;
- Re-signing the exits along I-40 as Exit 212 (I-40/73) to Exit 227 (I-40/85);
- Re-signing the exits along I-73 as Exit 103 (I-73/40 interchange) to Exit 95 (I-73/U.S. 220 interchange); and
- Rerouting U.S. 421 to run concurrently with I-73 and parts of I-85.
- The I-85 Business route and the I-85 exit signs will remain the same.

According to a DOT release, the decision was made at the suggestion of motorists who said it would be less confusing, as well as those living near the western loop, who want to reduce noise levels.

“We have reviewed this relocation plan with Greensboro’s Department of Transportation, the Federal Highway Administration and here internally,” said Transportation Division 7 Engineer Mike Mills. “We all agree that this plan will best address the future needs of the transportation system in and around Greensboro.”