

## **I-40 signs going back up through Greensboro**

Business 40 killed; section of loop to be I-73

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Business 40 will be eliminated in Greensboro.

Not the road itself, but the route signs. They will be taken down this fall to make it less confusing for drivers trying to navigate that section of highway, the N.C. Department of Transportation said yesterday.

The change means that Interstate 40 will follow the original route straight through the city.

When a 7.5-mile section of the Greensboro Urban Loop opened in February it gained the I-40 designation, carrying I-40 traffic through the south side of the city. The older section was renamed Business 40.

State highway officials said that motorists were the ones who suggested ditching the Business 40 designation to make travel less confusing. The sections of interstates running through Greensboro carry the designations of several highways.

Residents who live near the newly completed section of the urban loop were also in favor of the change as a way of reducing noise levels, highway officials said.

The section of the urban loop between I-40 and I-85 on the west side of Greensboro will become I-73. The remaining section of the urban loop on the east side of Greensboro will continue to carry the I-85 designation. There will be a short section carrying both the I-73 and I-85 designations on the south side of Greensboro.

Highway workers will replace the green Business 40 signs with blue I-40 signs through the middle of Greensboro.

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