



# Traffic Advisory

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## **HARBOR DR. TO PERMANENTLY CLOSE BETWEEN HIGH ST. AND TURNPIKE RD. IN PORTSMOUTH**

PORTSMOUTH – [The Elizabeth River Tunnels](#) (ERT) Project team, in partnership with the Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) will permanently close Harbor Dr. in Portsmouth between High St. and Turnpike Rd. as early as [Aug. 8](#) for construction activities related to the Martin Luther King (MLK) Extension.

Construction includes a new raised roadway that will be built above the existing Harbor Dr. corridor as part of the new MLK Extension alignment. Completion of the MLK Extension will create an efficient, connected transportation network, providing direct access between the Downtown and Midtown tunnels. Additionally, new changeable message signs on the MLK Extension will improve communication of traffic conditions to motorists.

For more information about construction activities on the MLK Extension, view the [MLK Construction Brochure](#) and the [MLK Extension](#) page.

A schedule of the closures and alternate routes can be found on [DriveERT.com](#). Current lane closure information is available on [VDOT's weekly lane closure forecast](#). Due to the nature of construction, dates are subject to change.

Visit [www.511Virginia.org](http://www.511Virginia.org), call 511 or listen to Highway Advisory Radio (HAR) 1680 AM or call the VDOT Traffic Information Line at [757-361-3016](tel:757-361-3016) for current traffic and travel information.

Headquartered in Portsmouth, Virginia, Elizabeth River Crossings OpCo, LLC, is the private partner of the Virginia Department of Transportation for the design, construction, finance, operations and maintenance of the Elizabeth River Tunnels Project. For more information on the Elizabeth River Tunnels Project, visit [www.DriveERT.com](http://www.DriveERT.com). Follow us on [Twitter](#).

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