



## MEDIA ADVISORY

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### **Traffic Shift on US 68/KY 80 LBL Corridor Friday**

*Shift to allow construction to start on new westbound lanes west of The Trace*

GOLDEN POND, Ky. — A contractor for the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet plans to shift traffic on U.S. 68/KY 80 as part of continuing construction on the new four-lane highway through the Land Between The Lakes National Recreation Area on Friday, August 14, 2009. The traffic shift for the section between The Trace and the Eggners Ferry Bridge is expected to take place around Noon Friday.

US 68/KY 80 traffic has been running on the old roadway. Traffic will be shifted to the new eastbound lanes to allow construction to move ahead on the new westbound lanes through the area. Traffic traveling through the area on US 68/KY 80 will remain two lanes with two-way traffic.

Motorists who travel US 68/KY 80 through the Land Between The Lakes should be aware of this change in traffic flow and make appropriate adjustments in driving habits.

All LBL facilities are open and operating on normal schedules. Construction work is being phased to maintain public access to all LBL attractions.

Visitors to LBL and commuters who travel through LBL on the U.S. 68/KY 80 Corridor should be aware of this coming lane shift. Travelers along U.S. 68/KY 80 through LBL will continue to encounter construction vehicles parked along the highway and traveling along the corridor in the work zone. Appropriate caution is required through this work zone due to construction personnel and equipment being in close proximity to passing traffic.

Motorists should be alert for specific traffic updates as the project moves forward in coming months. Any future changes due to road construction will be posted at the following web sites:

[www.us68lbl.com](http://www.us68lbl.com)

[www.511.ky.gov](http://www.511.ky.gov)

[www.lbl.org](http://www.lbl.org).

The U.S. Forest Service and the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet will be working closely with contractors and sub-contractors to provide timely updates on highway conditions along the 8-mile route from Canton to Aurora through western Trigg County. The U.S. 68/KY 80 Corridor provides the only east-west crossing of the LBL.

The Rogers Group is the prime contractor on the \$50 million design-build project through approximately 8 miles of the Land Between The Lakes.

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