



March 18, 2019

Yon Lambert
Director
Alexandria Department of Transportation and
Environmental Services
301 King Street
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Dear Mr. Lambert:

We appreciate the City of Alexandria's ongoing collaboration and support as the region prepares for WMATA's summer 2019 platform reconstruction project. As you are aware, the project will result in a closure of all Blue/Yellow Line stations south of Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport Station from May 25 to September 2.

One of the mitigation strategies that WMATA and City staff have discussed is a temporary change to HOV policies for the summer of 2019. These proposed changes will improve the flow of bus operations and ensure that Alexandria residents, tourists, and those traveling throughout the corridor have an improved customer experience.

WMATA requests the following changes to the City of Alexandria HOV policies from May until September of this year:

1. Change Washington Street HOV lanes from HOV 2 to HOV 3;
2. Extend northbound Washington Street HOV lane hours from 7AM-9AM to 6AM-10AM;
3. Change East Abingdon Drive and West Abingdon Drive HOV lanes from HOV 2 to HOV 3;
4. Extend northbound East Abingdon Drive lane hours from 7AM-9AM to 6AM-10AM;
5. Extend southbound West Abingdon Drive lane hours from 4PM-6PM to 3PM-7PM; and
6. Extend southbound Washington Street HOV lane hours from 4PM-6PM to 3PM-7PM.

Thank you for your consideration and please let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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