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DOTD Temporarily Suspending Tolls on LA 1

Baton Rouge (July 11, 2019)- Baton Rouge, LA – The Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) announces that at noon today, July 11, tolls will temporarily be suspended on the LA 1 Expressway. The suspension is due to a mandatory evacuation order for Grand Isle.

With the threat of severe weather and heavy rainfall that may impact areas of the state, the Louisiana Department of Transportation and Development (DOTD) reminds motorists to take extra precautions should traveling be necessary.

During unfavorable weather conditions, motorists should adhere to the following safety tips:

- Do not drive unless you must.
- Avoid driving into standing or running water.
- Avoid driving while distracted.
- Avoid using cruise control when visibility is low or road surfaces are wet.
- Always allow for extra driving time.
- Make sure there is plenty of room between vehicles.
- Have your headlights on when using windshield wipers
- Never drive through areas with downed power lines or utility poles.

Motorists are encouraged to check the status of road conditions prior to beginning commutes to impacted areas by utilizing the following resources for the latest information regarding road conditions:

- MyDOTD: Motorists can receive automatic and up-to-date information on local projects, lane and road closures, and other DOTD activity by signing up for MyDOTD at www.dotd.la.gov.
- 511 Traveler Information: Travelers can also find information regarding road closures by visiting the 511 Traveler Information website at www.511la.org or by

dialing 511 from their telephone and saying the route or region about which they are seeking information. Out-of-state travelers can access the system by calling 1-888-ROAD-511 (1-888-762-3511).

- Social media: Additional information can be found at DOTD's [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) pages.

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