

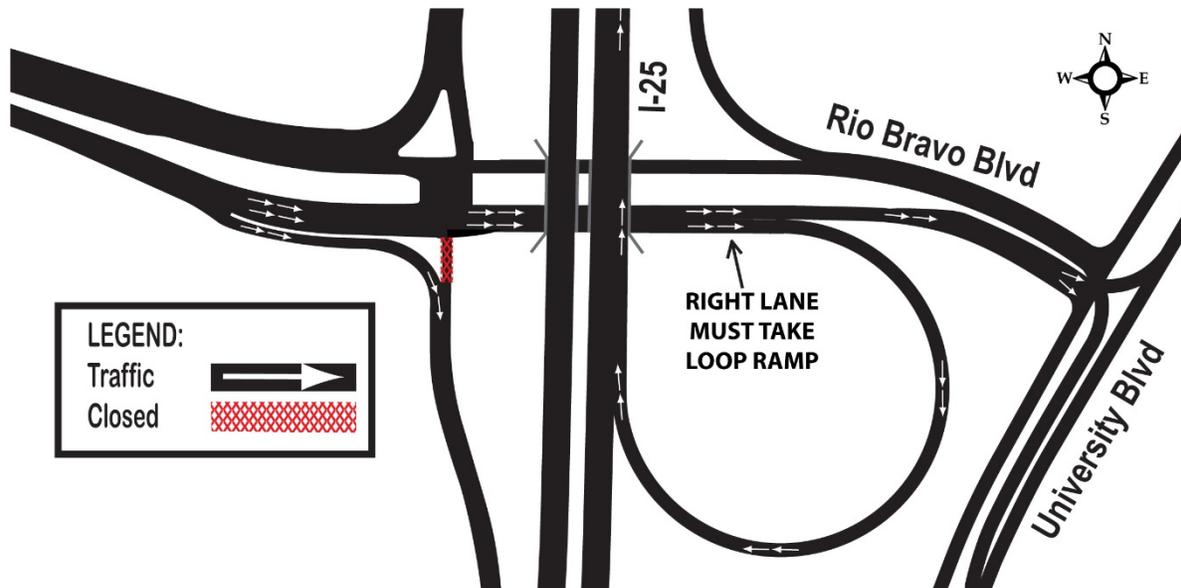


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LOOP RAMP TO OPEN MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2019
FOR EASTBOUND TRAFFIC ON RIO BRAVO TO ACCESS NORTHBOUND I-25

ALBUQUERQUE, 4-26-19 —The I-25 Rio Bravo Interchange project will mark a major milestone when it opens a new loop ramp for eastbound traffic on Rio Bravo to access northbound I-25 as of Monday morning, April 29, 2019. Construction on the project will move into Phase 4.

The new one-lane loop ramp is a key facet of the offset single point interchange design. It will allow eastbound traffic on Rio Bravo to stay in the right (outside) lane to access northbound I-25 freely, without a traffic signal, while eastbound traffic can use the left (inside) lane to continue to University.



Project officials said traffic may back up at the loop ramp during the first few days of the new configuration, which is permanent. They encourage all drivers heading eastbound on Rio Bravo to watch for construction signage, obey reduced speed limits in the construction zone, and give themselves extra time to reach their destination.

Expected to be completed this summer, the I-25 Rio Bravo Interchange project will include coordinated traffic signals along Rio Bravo from I-25 to Del Rio, increase I-25 from four to six lanes at the interchange, improve safety through new bridges and enhanced entrance and exit ramps from Rio Bravo to I-25, improve storm drainage, and open a new multi-use path for pedestrians and bicyclists. More information is available at www.i25riobravo.com. All construction is weather permitting and subject to change without notice.