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Detour planned near McCarran International Airport

Overnight lane closures will affect traffic late Sunday through early Monday

Northbound drivers exiting McCarran International Airport, as well as some northbound vehicles leaving the Airport Connector Tunnel, are advised that a detour will be in effect for approximately seven hours beginning at 10 p.m. Sunday, July 18. **Delays could result from this overnight detour.**

Commuters who utilize the Airport Connector Tunnel as a shortcut should use the airport bypass lanes, located on the right (east) side of the road immediately north of the tunnel. Bypass traffic will not be affected by this overnight detour.

Northbound drivers exiting the airport, or those who stay to the left (west) upon exiting the Airport Connector Tunnel, will encounter the overnight detour on the roadways just beyond McCarran's parking garage. Drivers headed toward Swenson Street will be diverted through a detour that includes a four-way stop sign at Kitty Hawk Way. (See attached map).

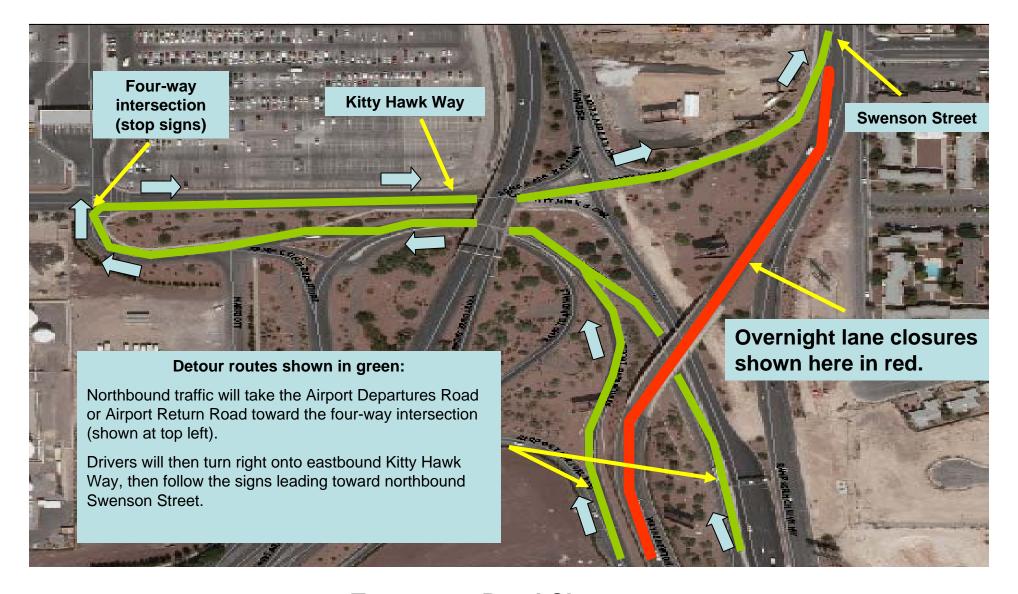
This roadwork was scheduled for the overnight hours to lessen its impact on traffic in the area. The detour is scheduled to conclude at 5 a.m. Monday, July 19, before the start of the weekday rush hour. Drivers who can avoid this area are encouraged to do so in order to minimize traffic congestion.

This weekend's work is one portion of a larger, multi-year project that began in fall 2009. The Terminal 1 Roadways project includes new lanes for entering and exiting Terminal 3, which is now under construction; a safety barrier to prevent exiting and entering traffic from weaving within shared lanes; as well as new bridges to ease access between the tunnel and McCarran's Terminal 1 and 2.

These necessary and safety-enhancing improvements will be completed in summer 2011 at a cost of approximately \$22 million. The work was approved by the Clark County Commission in August 2009.

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Temporary Road Closures

Northbound traffic exiting **McCarran International Airport** and drivers in certain northbound lanes exiting the **Airport Connector Tunnel** will be detoured from 10 p.m. Sunday, July 18, through 5 a.m. Monday, July 19. All roadwork will occur overnight.