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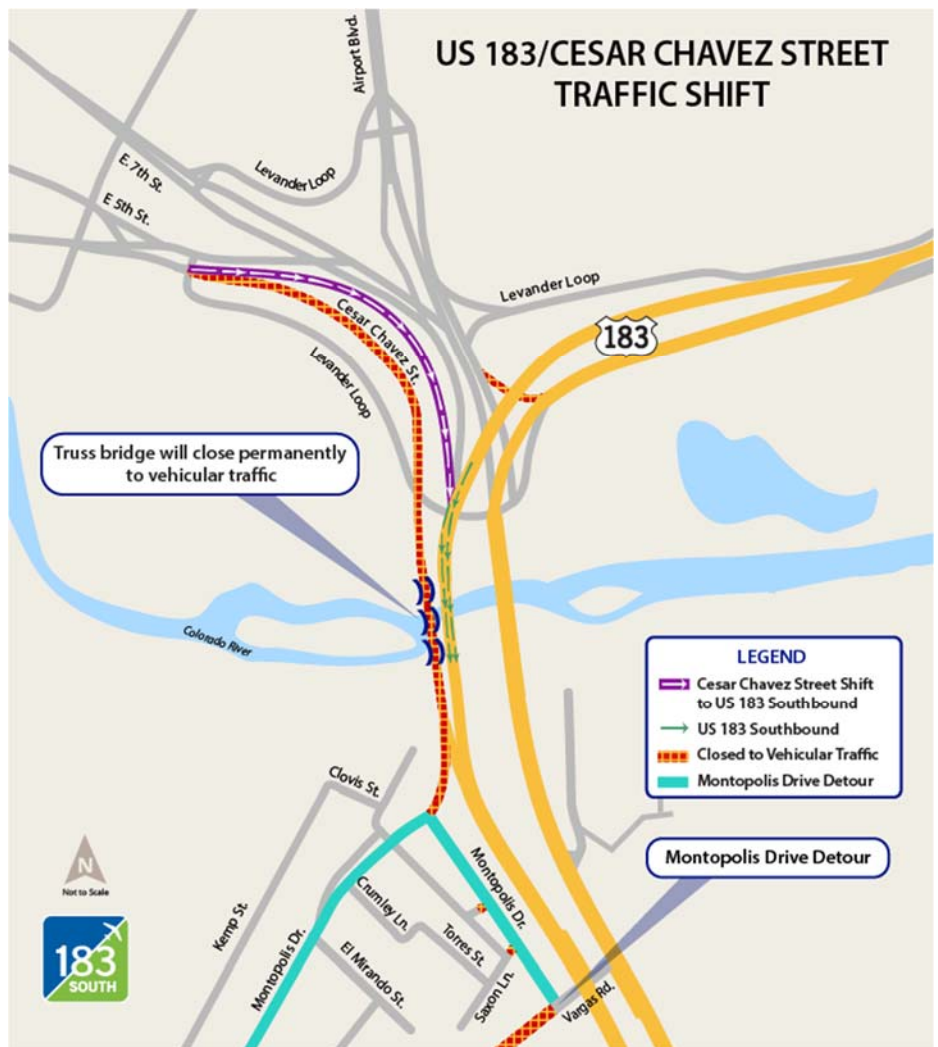
HISTORIC MONTOPOLIS STEEL TRUSS BRIDGE TO CLOSE TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC Cesar Chavez Street Traffic Shifting Onto New Bridge at US 183

Dear 183 South Project Neighbors:

Please be advised that the historic **Montopolis steel truss bridge will CLOSE PERMANENTLY** to vehicular traffic as early as **October 8, 2018;*** and **Cesar Chavez Street eastbound traffic will shift to the new bridge and access US 183 southbound above the Colorado River.** This completes yet another milestone in the construction of a new and improved 183 South Expressway at the Colorado River interchange. Please take note of the following long-term travel impacts associated with this traffic shift:

LONG-TERM IMPACTS:

- The historic **Montopolis steel truss bridge will be decommissioned and CLOSE PERMANENTLY TO VEHICULAR TRAFFIC.** It will ultimately be rehabilitated by abating the old lead paint and adding a fresh new coat of paint (without lead) – while ensuring its historic character is preserved.
- **Drivers will no longer be able to access westbound Montopolis Drive directly from the Montopolis steel truss bridge.** Local traffic will detour via US 183 southbound to the Vargas Road/Montopolis Drive detour to access Montopolis Drive.
- **The historic Montopolis steel truss bridge WILL REMAIN OPEN** TO BICYCLISTS AND PEDESTRIANS to provide Colorado River crossing access to non-vehicular traffic.** The rehabilitated bridge will be dedicated to bicycle and pedestrian access as part of an extensive system throughout the improved 183 South corridor which, once constructed, will link up with other area trails and parks.



*Dates are subject to change based on weather and other circumstances.

**Access interruptions will occur during truss bridge lead paint abatement work.

Montopolis Drive Access Detour Route

To access Montopolis Drive from Cesar Chavez Street, take the following detour route:

- ♦ Enter US 183 and merge with southbound traffic.
- ♦ At Vargas Road turn right to the Montopolis Drive detour.

Know before you go! Expect travel delays and plan accordingly.

Please be advised:

- Variable message signs will alert travelers in advance of the traffic shift.
- For your safety and the safety of our construction crews, we urge you to 'Drive Friendly,' stay alert, and minimize distractions. 'Thank You' in advance for your patience.
- Please refer to Capital Metro's website for area bus route locations and schedules: www.capmetro.org

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