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CONSTRUCTION STARTS ON RESTON PARKWAY IMPROVEMENTS

RESTON, VA. - December 13 - Starting the first week in January, extensive construction work will begin around the Reston Parkway bridge which, when finished in November 1990, will ease annoying commuter bottlenecks at the Reston Parkway access to and from the Dulles Toll Road, according to Reston Land Corporation Engineering/Development Vice President John W. Farrar.

In order to provide maximum traffic flow in and out of Reston Town Center, especially as they prepare for the Fall grand opening, Reston Land Corporation expects to spend in excess of \$30 million in road improvements over the next five years.

Farrar said the \$3 million start-up phase of bridge, ramps and roadway improvements will provide:

1. Free flowing right turn lane and ramp onto the Dulles Toll Road for Reston Parkway southbound traffic heading to Washington and Tysons Corner

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2. Left turn lane onto the Dulles Toll Road for northbound Parkway traffic heading toward Washington Dulles International Airport

3. Right turn lane for northbound Parkway traffic heading on to the Toll Road toward Washington and Tysons Corner

4. Extended left turn lane for northbound Parkway traffic heading onto Sunset Hills Road toward Herndon and the future Fairfax Parkway

5. Right turn lane onto the northbound Parkway from the westbound Toll Road exit ramp

6. Relocated eastbound Toll Road exit ramp onto Reston Parkway for north and southbound Parkway traffic

To facilitate commuter traffic, Farrar said that Reston Land Corporation has ordered there to be no work during rush hours (6:30 to 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 to 6:30 p.m.) that will interfere with traffic flow.

However, Farrar said that, for the next year, drivers can expect some delays and detours while travelling through this Parkway intersection, including, at times, one lane traffic flow in both directions during non-rush hours.

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In an effort to shorten the process and reduce delays, Reston Land Corporation anticipates that the Reston Parkway contractor, Shirley Contracting, will complete some work at night after 6:30 p.m.

"It's exciting!" Farrar said. "This Town Center work, coupled with the 1990 construction of Reston Parkway's new alignment through North Hills to Route 7, will, in a few years, give Reston greatly improved transportation access and convenience."

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