

# Traffic Advisory

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## **WEEKLY UPDATE – Crews race against April showers, transit ridership remains steady**

Due to careful planning, crews anticipate being finished with repairs on center portions located above the river on the US-77/SH-39 bridge between Purcell and Lexington. This is a critical milestone to achieve and relieves worries that heavy spring rains would cause the river to rise and delay work on those portions of the bridge.

Crews have also completely installed and post-tensioned repair brackets to about half of the 264 weakened areas.

Post-tensioning is the final step in installing the repair brackets. It involves tightening the rods that connect the brackets and diverts the load on the cracked members to the brackets.

Transit ridership continues to remain steady with about 100 riders each day during the week and about 20 riders on Saturdays and Sundays. The highest ridership was on April 3 with 138 riders.

The department continues to remain confident that all repairs will be complete and the bridge will be open to all traffic on or before the June 14 deadline.

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