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SOUTH ACADEMY BOULEVARD IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT



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CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

(All schedules are weather and resource dependent)

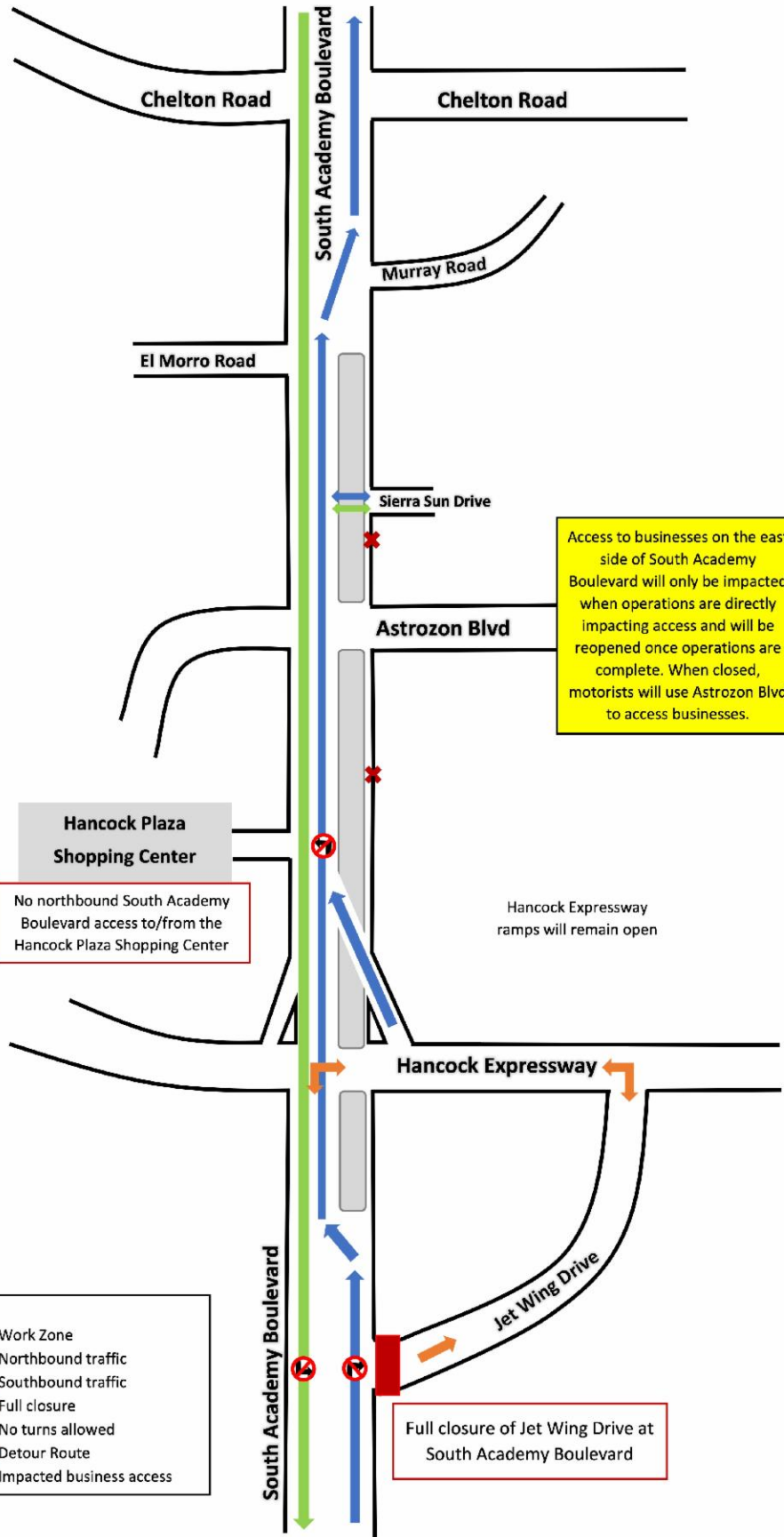
New Traffic Pattern between Chelton Road and Jet Wing Drive Next Week

South Academy Boulevard between East Fountain Boulevard and Jet Wing Drive

To expedite work, travel lanes will be temporarily realigned between Jet Wing Drive and Chelton Road next week. Northbound South Academy Boulevard traffic will be shifted so both directions of traffic are on the western portion of the roadway. Crews will implement this new configuration in phases, beginning, Sunday, Dec. 17 through Tuesday, Dec. 19. Access to businesses will always be maintained. Business driveways on the east side of South Academy Boulevard will only be impacted when operations are directly impacting access and will be reopened once operations are complete. When closed, motorists will use Astrozon Blvd to access businesses.

A full closure of Jet Wing Drive at South Academy Boulevard begins Sunday, Dec. 17 to support the underground work on the east side of the roadway. Traffic will detour north to Hancock Expressway to access South Academy Boulevard. Crews will reopen Jet Wing Drive once underground work progresses north.

See closure map, below.



South Academy Boulevard between Platte Avenue and Airport Road

Southbound Academy Boulevard traffic remains in a temporary alignment with both directions of traffic on the western portion of the roadway. This alignment allows crews to move into the next phase of construction and safely perform underground work below the northbound lanes between Airport Road and Bijou Street. Expect delays and use alternative routes.

Pikes Peak Avenue remains closed on the east side of South Academy Boulevard to support underground water main work.

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The South Academy Boulevard Improvements Project addresses aging pavement, curb and gutter, and improves drainage along the project corridor. To provide for better multi-modal and pedestrian access, a new multi-use path is being constructed on one side of Academy Boulevard. Due to existing drainage issues and occasional occurrences of standing water in the roadway, significant drainage improvements are being made.

This is a voter-approved, Pikes Peak Rural Transportation Authority (PPRTA) A-listed project. Estimated cost to address aging pavement, curb and gutter, and improve drainage along the project corridor: \$59 million.

For more information:

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