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MEDIA ALERT: TRAFFIC ADVISORY
An Eastbound One-Hour Closure Scheduled For Today

ELMWOOD, La. – An eastbound one-hour closure is scheduled for today, Thursday, February 11. The closure is estimated to occur between noon and 3 p.m. There will be no eastbound lane restriction scheduled today. The left westbound lane will be closed from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. as originally scheduled. Motorists are advised to take alternate routes like Crescent City Connection and I-310. Please be advised that actual closure times may change due to field conditions. To get the most up-to-date bridge status information, motorist can call (504) 731-4200, go to www.hueypbridge.com or check out the Huey P. Long Bridge Widening Project's Twitter page.

The Huey P. Long Bridge Widening Project is a TIMED (Transportation Infrastructure Model for Economic Development) Program project. The TIMED Program was created by Act 16 of the 1989 Louisiana Legislature, was voted for by the people and is the single largest transportation program in state history. The \$5.2 billion improvement program includes widening 536 miles of state highways, new construction or improvements to three major bridges projects and the improvements to both the Port of New Orleans and the Louis Armstrong International Airport. The Program is designed to enhance economic development in Louisiana through an investment in transportation projects.

As one of 16 TIMED projects, the completed Huey P. Long Bridge Widening Project will include three 11-foot lanes in each direction, along with new inside and outside shoulders across the bridge. The



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project also will include construction of new roadway approaches that will provide signalized intersections at Bridge City Avenue and Jefferson Highway. The entire project is scheduled to be complete by 2013.

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