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Broadway, 19th Street and Avenue A best routes to access South Plains Fair

With construction on Phase 4 of the Marsha Sharp Freeway (US 62/82) still under way, getting to your favorite fair food at the Panhandle South Plains Fair this year might require a little planning.

“Construction on the Marsha Sharp Freeway has brought about several permanent, and a few temporary, traffic changes that will affect traffic headed to the fair, said Bryan Wilson, P.E., Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) Lubbock Area engineer. “Motorists’ best bet to access fair parking is to use 19th Street, Broadway and Avenue A.”

ROUTES TO ACCESS FAIR PARKING:

- Southbound I-27 traffic will need to use the 19th Street exit then take 19th east to Avenue A.
- Northbound I-27 traffic should be able to use the current 4th Street exit and travel down the new eastbound frontage road to Avenue A.
- Westbound US 82 (4th Street) will need to use MLK to Broadway then Broadway to Avenue A.
- Eastbound US 82 (4th Street) will need to take southbound I-27 to the 19th Street exit then take 19th to Avenue A.

“Currently, Avenue A traffic does not have access to both the east- and westbound Marsha Sharp Freeway main lanes. This is the permanent traffic condition that will exist on the freeway once work is completed,” Wilson said. “Northbound Avenue A traffic will only be able to travel east on the freeway frontage road.”

Motorists should also be mindful to not park on the right of way or construction area.

“Parked vehicles along the shoulders and in the ditches create safety hazards for the traveling public, and could hinder emergency vehicles responding to calls,” Wilson said. “TxDOT is not an enforcement agency and all we can do is strongly discourage anyone from parking on the

right of way. Fair goers will need to plan ahead, know where they're going and exercise a little patience."

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For more information, call Bryan Wilson, Lubbock Area engineer, at 806 748-4496.

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