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Ladies & Gentlemen, below please find this week's edition of *Executive Insight Brief* from The Roosevelt Group.

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EXECUTIVE INSIGHT BRIEF | JUNE 16, 2017

TOP STORIES

TRUMP LASHES OUT AT RUSSIA PROBE; PENCE HIRES A LAWYER. A heightened sense of unease gripped the White House on Thursday, as President Trump lashed out at reports that he's under scrutiny over whether he obstructed justice, aides repeatedly deflected questions about the probe and Vice President Pence acknowledged hiring a private lawyer to handle fallout from investigations into Russian election meddling. [Read more](#)

AMAZON TO BUY WHOLE FOODS MARKET IN DEAL VALUED AT \$13.7 BILLION. Amazon.com, the online retail giant, made a major move into the brick and mortar space Friday, announcing that it would buy Whole Foods Market in a deal valued at \$13.7 billion. Amazon has recently begun experimenting with bookstores and a small grocery, but this is by far its most ambitious move into physical retail. [Read more](#)

STEVE SCALISE STILL IN CRITICAL CONDITION BUT HAS ‘IMPROVED’, HOSPITAL SAYS. Steve Scalise, the majority whip who was shot when a gunman opened fire during a congressional Republican baseball practice, is doing better but remains in critical condition, according to a statement from MedStar Washington Hospital Center, where the congressman is being treated. [Read more](#)

ISLAMIC STATE LEADER BAGHDADI ‘MAY HAVE BEEN KILLED BY RUSSIA’. Russia's defense ministry is investigating whether one of its air strikes in Syria killed the leader of the Islamic State militant group (IS). The ministry said an air strike may have killed Abu Bakr al-Baghdadi and up to 330 other fighters on 28 May. It said the raid had targeted a meeting of the IS military council in the group's de facto capital of Raqqa, in northern Syria. [Read more](#)

UK TO AGREE BREXIT DIVORCE BILL BEFORE TRADE TALKS – EU SOURCES. The UK has agreed to sort out its EU "divorce bill" and citizens' residence rights before starting Brexit trade talks, EU sources have told the BBC. But the UK's Brexit department has insisted a trade deal must be agreed at the same time. [Read more](#)

DONALD TRUMP TO ISSUE DIRECTIVE NARROWING OBAMA’S CUBA OPENING. President Donald Trump will issue a policy directive on Friday aimed at scaling back some of the changes made by his predecessor to U.S.-Cuba policy, taking aim at tourist travel and transactions with Cuba’s military but leaving in place many of former President Barack Obama’s steps toward normalization. [Read more](#)

ADMINISTRATION

TRUMP WILL ALLOW ‘DREAMERS’ TO STAY IN U.S., REVERSING CAMPAIGN PROMISE. President Trump has officially reversed his campaign pledge to deport the so-called Dreamers, undocumented immigrants who came to the United States as small children. The Department of Homeland Security announced late Thursday night that it would continue the Obama-era program intended to protect those immigrants from deportation and provide them work permits so they can find legal employment. [Read more](#)

U.S. SIGNS DEAL TO SUPPLY F-15 JETS TO QATAR AFTER TRUMP TERROR CLAIMS. The U.S. has signed a \$12billion deal to supply dozens of F-15 jets to Qatar, despite recent high-profile claims by President Donald Trump alleging Qatar’s “high-level funding” of terrorism. The signing of the deal on Wednesday is the latest twist in the highly contradictory U.S. diplomacy over the crisis around Qatar – now in its second week – with the emirate targeted by a Saudi-led embargo. [Read more](#)

U.S. SENDING ALMOST 4,000 EXTRA FORCES TO AFGHANISTAN, TRUMP OFFICIAL SAYS. The Pentagon will send almost 4,000 additional American troops to Afghanistan, according to a Trump administration official, an attempt to break a stalemate in a war that has now passed to a third U.S. commander-in-chief. The decision by defense secretary Jim Mattis could be announced as early as next week, the official said, and will be the largest deployment of American manpower under Donald Trump’s young presidency. [Read more](#)

CONGRESS

THE HEALTH 202: SENATE IS STRAINING TO PASS OBAMACARE OVERHAUL IN NEXT 14 DAYS. The Senate GOP leadership is trying to rally enough steam to vote on an Obamacare overhaul in the 14 days left in June. But potential roadblocks are piling up both publicly and behind-the-scenes that could easily derail its efforts. [Read more](#)

GOP SIRENS BLARE OVER GEORGIA SPECIAL ELECTION. The GOP is bracing for the prospect of a loss in Tuesday’s Georgia special election that could have far-reaching implications for President Donald Trump and his party’s fortunes in 2018. [Read more](#)

FEINSTEIN WANTS COMEY BACK ON THE HILL – AND WILL BACK A SUBPOENA IF NECESSARY. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, the top Democrat on the Senate Judiciary Committee, wants former FBI Director James Comey to return to Capitol Hill to testify before her panel — and says Democrats are willing to back a subpoena for Comey if he refuses. [Read more](#)

POLITICS

CONGRESSIONAL BASEBALL GAME: POLITICIANS COME TOGETHER AFTER VIRGINIA SHOOTING.

Under the bright glare of the national spotlight, the congressional baseball game was transformed on Thursday a day after the shooting of majority whip Steve Scalise and three others at a practice session for the Republican team. [Read more](#)

TRUMP TRANSITION TEAM ORDERS FORMER AIDES TO PRESERVE RUSSIA-RELATED MATERIALS.

Members of President Trump's transition team were ordered on Thursday to preserve documents and other materials related to the investigation of Russian interference in the presidential election, according to a memo obtained by The New York Times. [Read more](#)

INSIDE MARCO RUBIO'S CAMPAIGN TO SHAPE TRUMP'S CUBA

CRACKDOWN. Facing President Donald Trump in the Oval Office, Florida Sen. Marco Rubio issued a blunt warning: The administration's plan to crack down on Cuba trade and travel was under threat. [Read more](#)

DEFENSE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS

U.S. INVESTS \$258 MILLION IN SUPERCOMPUTING RACE WITH CHINA.

The U.S. government is trying to stave off China and other countries challenging the U.S. for dominance in the next generation of the world's fastest computers. The Department of Energy on Thursday said it would award \$258 million over three years to be shared by six tech companies, as part of a plan to develop new supercomputers. [Read more](#)

TROOPS FROM 8 NATIONS GATHER FOR NATO READINESS EXERCISE.

More than 4,000 high-readiness troops from eight nations gathered in Circu, Romania, to execute Noble Jump 17, a training exercise designed to test and refine NATO's Very High Readiness Joint Task Force, or VJTF. [Read more](#)

ECONOMY AND FINANCE

GOOGLE FACES RECORD EU ANTITRUST FINE.

The European Union's antitrust watchdog in the coming weeks is set to hit Alphabet Inc.'s Google with a record fine for manipulating its search results to favor its own comparison-shopping service. Penalty could reach as high as 10% of annual

revenue, which was more than \$90 billion in 2016. [Read more](#)

U.S. EXPORTS TO MEXICO FALL AS UNCERTAINTY OVER NAFTA LINGERS. Friction between the U.S. and Mexico over trade is starting to cut into sales for U.S. farmers and agricultural companies, adding uncertainty for an industry struggling with low commodity prices and excess supply. In the first four months of 2017, Mexican imports of U.S. soybean meal dropped 15%, chicken 11% and corn 6%. [Read more](#)

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

JUDGE: DAKOTA ACCESS PIPELINE NEEDS FURTHER ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW. A federal judge ruled Wednesday that the environmental review for the Dakota Access pipeline was, in part, inadequate and must be reconsidered, handing tribal opponents of the 1,170-mile pipeline project a key legal victory. [Read more](#)

CALIFORNIA GOV NAMED SPECIAL ADVISOR TO UN CLIMATE CONFERENCE. The appointment of Jerry Brown (D) on Tuesday by Fiji Prime Minister Frank Bainimarama came less than two weeks after President Trump announced that the U.S. would withdraw from the 195-nation Paris climate accord. [Read more](#)

WIND, SOLAR PRODUCE 10% OF U.S. ELECTRICITY FOR FIRST TIME. The Energy Information Administration's (EIA) monthly power report for March found that wind produced 8% of the electricity produced in the U.S. that month, with solar producing 2%. The two sources combined to have their best month ever in terms of percentage of overall electricity production. [Read more](#)

TECHNOLOGY

FACEBOOK BOOSTS AI TO BLOCK TERRORIST PROPAGANDA. Under intense political pressure to better block terrorist propaganda on the internet, Facebook Inc. is leaning more on artificial intelligence. The social-media firm said Thursday that it has expanded its use of A.I. in recent months to identify potential terrorist postings and accounts on its platform—and at times to delete or block them without review by a human. [Read more](#)

CHINESE SCIENTISTS HAVE BUILT THE FIRST QUANTUM SATELLITE NETWORK. China's quantum satellite has produced its first successful result. In a paper published today in Science, researchers from the Chinese Academy of Sciences announced the satellite had successfully distributed entangled photons between three different terrestrial base stations, separated by as much as 1,200 kilometers on the ground. [Read more](#)

MICROSOFT'S NEW MODERN KEYBOARD HAS A HIDDEN FINGERPRINT READER. Microsoft has quietly unveiled a new "Modern Keyboard" with an integrated fingerprint reader. The Modern Keyboard is the successor to the Surface Keyboard, and looks identical. The only changes are a new fingerprint reader and the ability to use a cable for a wired connection instead of wireless. [Read more](#)

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FHWA Issues Record of Decision for Hampton Roads Crossing Study
Action Clears Way for Design and Procurement of HRBT Expansion

SUFFOLK -- A project to expand the Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel and widen Interstate 64 between Hampton and Norfolk reached a major milestone this week with the conclusion of a nearly two-year environmental study.

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) issued a Record of Decision (ROD) for the Hampton Roads Crossing Study on June 12. The signature of the document concludes the National Environmental Policy Act process for the study and allows VDOT to proceed with more detailed procurement and design of the project.

In its Record of Decision, the FHWA selected Alternative A as the Preferred Alternative to relieve congestion in the I-64/Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel corridor. Alternative A expands I-64 and the Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel to a consistent six-lane facility from I-664 in Hampton to I-564 in Norfolk. The expansion includes a new bridge-tunnel at the existing HRBT.

The document, a copy of which may be found here, presents the basis for the study

decision, per 40 CFR 1505.2, and summarizes the mitigation measures to be incorporated in the project.

The next step in the procurement process is the anticipated release in late 2017 of a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to potential proposers who wish to compete for a contract to design and build the project. Many details, including the final lane configuration and construction method of the new tunnel, will be determined as design and procurement advances.

Future updates on the I-64 Hampton Roads Bridge-Tunnel Expansion will be posted to the new project website at www.HRBExpansion.org.

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Traffic Control Management Plan

Pavement Improvements at Colonial National Historical Park
Yorktown, Virginia

CONTRACT NUMBER: P16 C 658

SUMMIT NUMBER: C16-722

Revised June 9, 2016

Colonial Parkway Ramp and Entrance Closure



Overview

The traffic control devices (TCD) are very critical for the safe and efficient transportation of people and goods. The Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD), by setting minimum standards and providing guidance, ensures uniformity of traffic control devices across the nation. The use of uniform Traffic Control Devices (messages, location, size, shapes, and colors) helps reduce crashes and congestion, and improves the efficiency of the surface transportation system. Uniformity also helps reduce the cost of Traffic Control Devices through standardization.

The information contained in the MUTCD is the result of either years of practical experience, research, and/or the MUTCD experimentation process. This effort ensures that Traffic Control Devices are visible, recognizable, understandable, and necessary. The MUTCD is a dynamic document that changes with time to address contemporary safety and operational issues.

Objectives

The basic objective of this Traffic Control Plan is to permit Summit Construction and Environmental Services and subcontractors to work within the public right of way efficiently and effectively, while maintaining a safe, uniform flow of traffic.

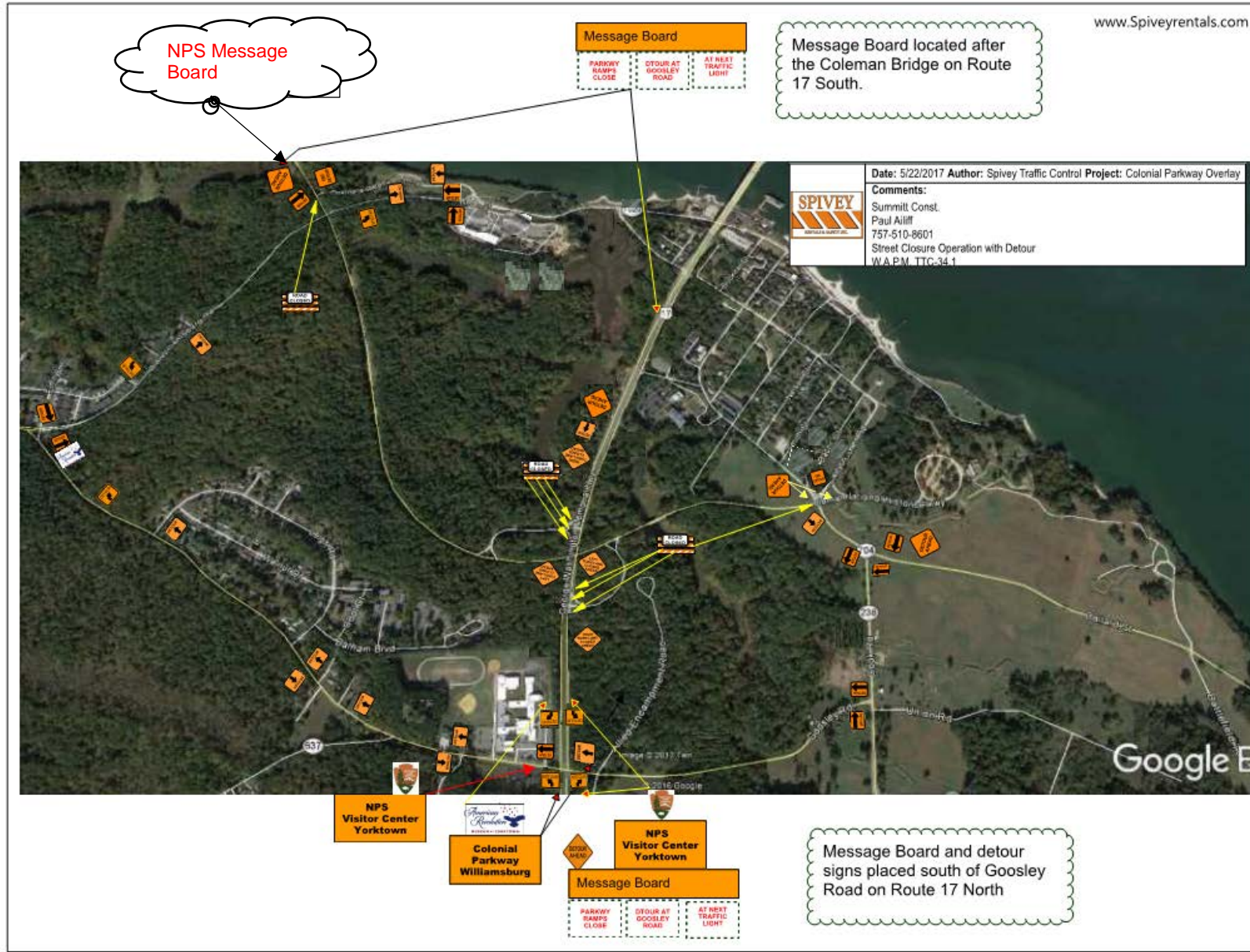
Both construction work and public interest must be given consideration when developing a traffic control plan. When considering the public, attention must be given to all aspects of travel (vehicular, bicycle, and pedestrian) through the work zone.

Scope of Work

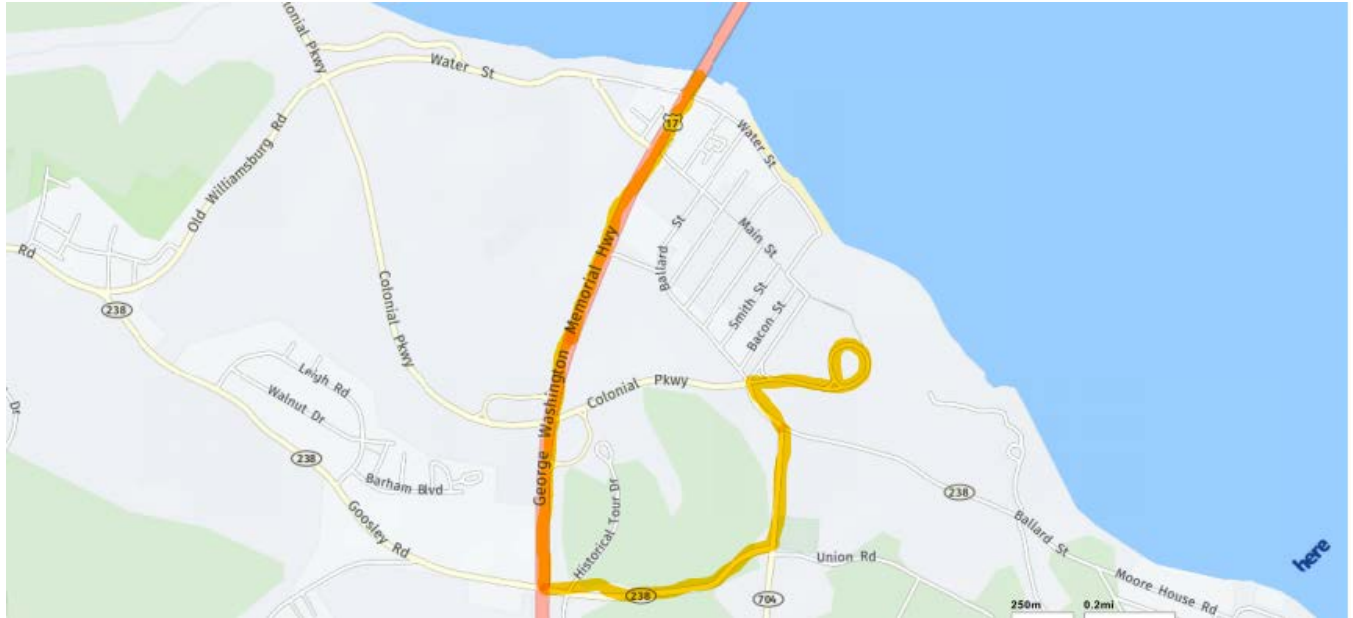
This guideline is intended as a useful tool for all those working or disrupting the flow of traffic. The work will consist of pavement rehabilitation of the Colonial Parkway. Pavement repairs and joint sealant replacement from Yorktown to K9 marker near Mills Pond. Due to safety concerns to the construction workers and guests, Summit Construction is request to close the Colonial Parkway and the two ramps to Route US 17 and the entrance at K0 for five working days to repair concrete pavement and to replace the joint sealant. Enclosed is the Detour Plan to close this area to perform this work.

This plan must be accepted by Yorktown County, Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles, National Park Service and their partners. The plan is to keep as much traffic away from the Yorktown water front, with good flow for charter bus. All detour traffic will be directed to travel Goosley Road. This plan includes an overview of the routes and individual routes.

Construction Site Location – Colonial Parkway closure for five day excluding weather event delays.



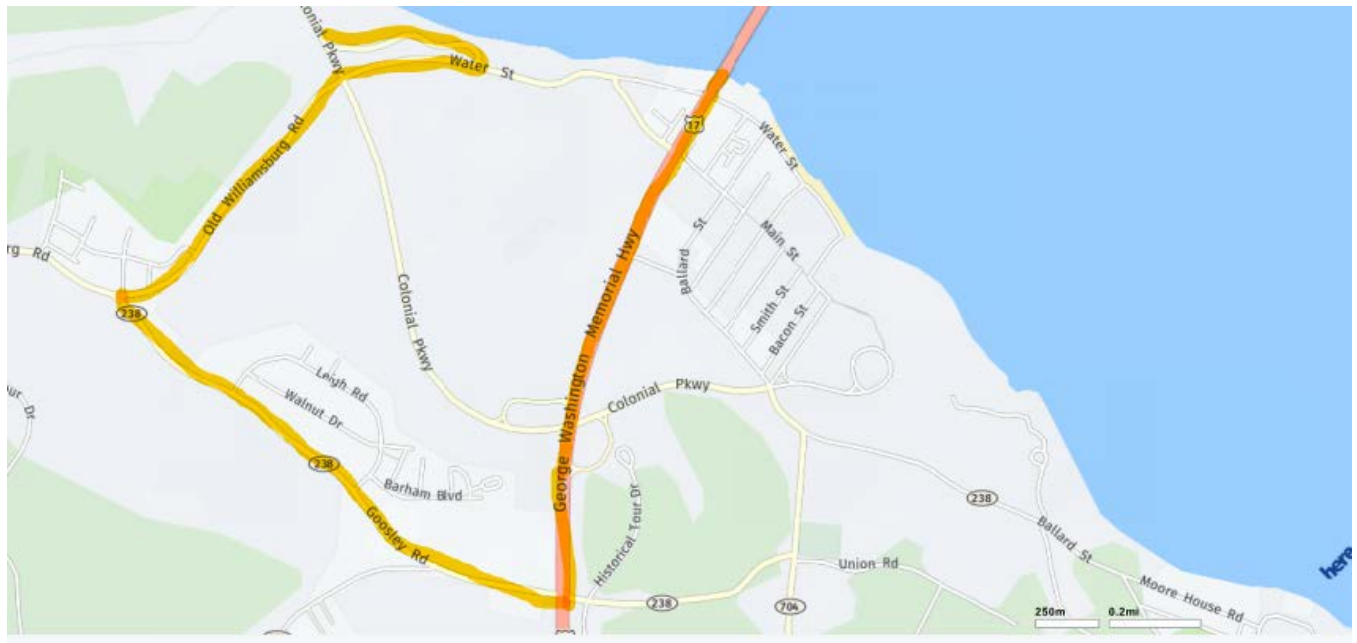
Detour Routes – Signage and route directions. Traveling South on US 17 to National Park Service Yorktown Battle Field Visitor Center



Signs -

- Message Board – Colonial Parkway is closed. Located pass “Matthews St”.
- Detour Ahead Sign along with detour arrow.
- Right Turn Lane Closed ahead.
- (3) Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the “Colonial Parkway” west “Williamsburg”.
- Left Turn Lane Closed ahead.
- (3) Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the “Colonial Parkway” east “Yorktown Battle Fields”.
- Custom sign “NPS Visitor Center Yorktown” (Left Lane of US 17) with a Turn Left Detour arrow at [Goosley Road](#).
- Left Detour arrow at [Cook Road](#).
- Left Detour arrow at [Ballard Street](#).
- End Detour sign at [Ballard Street](#) and Visitor Center Entrance.

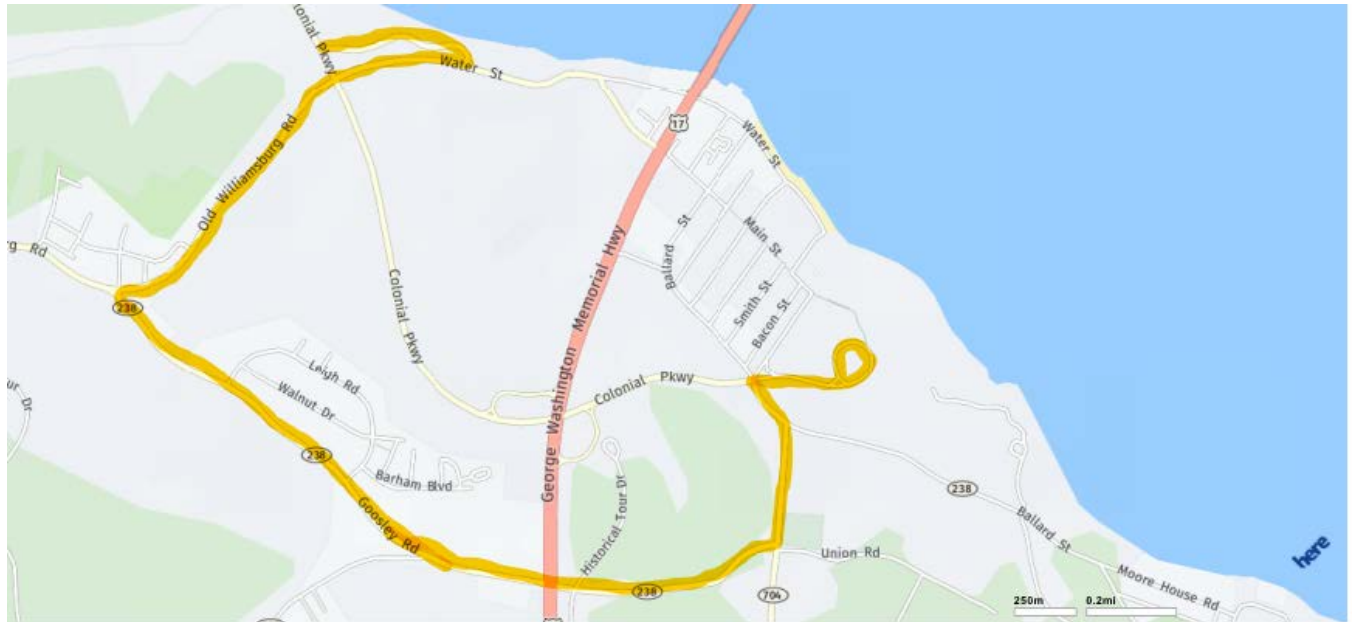
Traveling South on US 17 to Colonial Parkway Williamsburg



Signs -

- Message Board – Colonial Parkway is closed. Located pass Matthews Street
- Detour Ahead Sign along with detour arrow.
- Right Turn Lane Closed ahead.
- 3 Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the Colonial Parkway West Williamsburg.
- Left Turn Lane Closed ahead.
- 3 Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the Colonial Parkway East Yorktown Battle Fields.
- Custom sign “Colonial Parkway Williamsburg” (Right Lane of US 17) with a Turn Right Detour arrow at [Goosley Road](#).
- Turn Right Detour arrow at [Goosley Road](#).
- (4) Detour arrow along [Goosley Road](#) near intersecting streets.
- Turn Right Detour arrow – warning on [Goosley Road](#) to Old Williamsburg Road.
- Turn Right Detour arrow with “American Revolution Museum” sign the intersection of [Goosley](#) and [Old Williamsburg Roads](#).
- Detour arrow middle of [Old Williamsburg Road](#) turns to “Water Street”.
- Turn Left Detour arrow on [Water Street](#).
- Turn Left Detour at [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#) intersection with [Water Street](#). This is the entrance of the American Revolution Museum.
- Detour arrow on [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#).
- End Detour sign at [Colonial Parkway](#) west to Williamsburg.

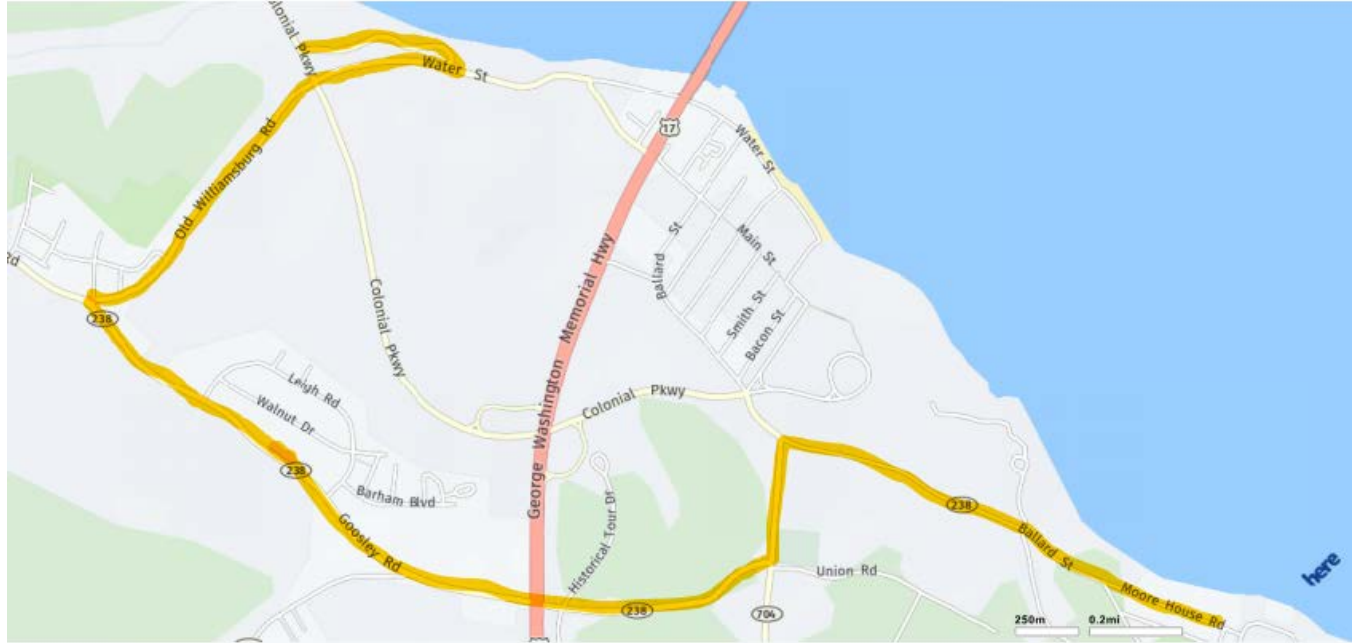
Traveling from National Park Service Yorktown Battle Field Visitor Center to Route 17 and Colonial Parkway west to Williamsburg.



Signs -

- Detour Ahead Sign along with detour arrow.
- (1) Road Closed barricades, 1 at the entrance to the Colonial Parkway heading west to Williamsburg.
- Detour Arrow on [Ballard Street](#).
- Right Detour arrow at [Cook Road](#).
- Turn Left Detour arrow at [Goosley Road](#).
- Custom sign "Colonial Parkway Williamsburg" with an "American Revolution Museum" sign and a Detour Arrow on [Goosley](#) at the intersection of route 17.
- (4) Detour arrow along [Goosley Road](#) near intersecting streets.
- Turn Right Detour arrow – warning on [Goosley Road](#) to Old Williamsburg Road.
- Turn Right Detour arrow with "American Revolution Museum" sign the intersection of [Goosley](#) and [Old Williamsburg Roads](#).
- Detour arrow middle of [Old Williamsburg Road](#) turns to "Water Street".
- Turn Left Detour arrow on [Water Street](#).
- Turn Left Detour at [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#) intersection with [Water Street](#). This is the entrance of the American Revolution Museum.
- Detour arrow on [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#).
- End Detour sign at [Colonial Parkway](#) west to Williamsburg.

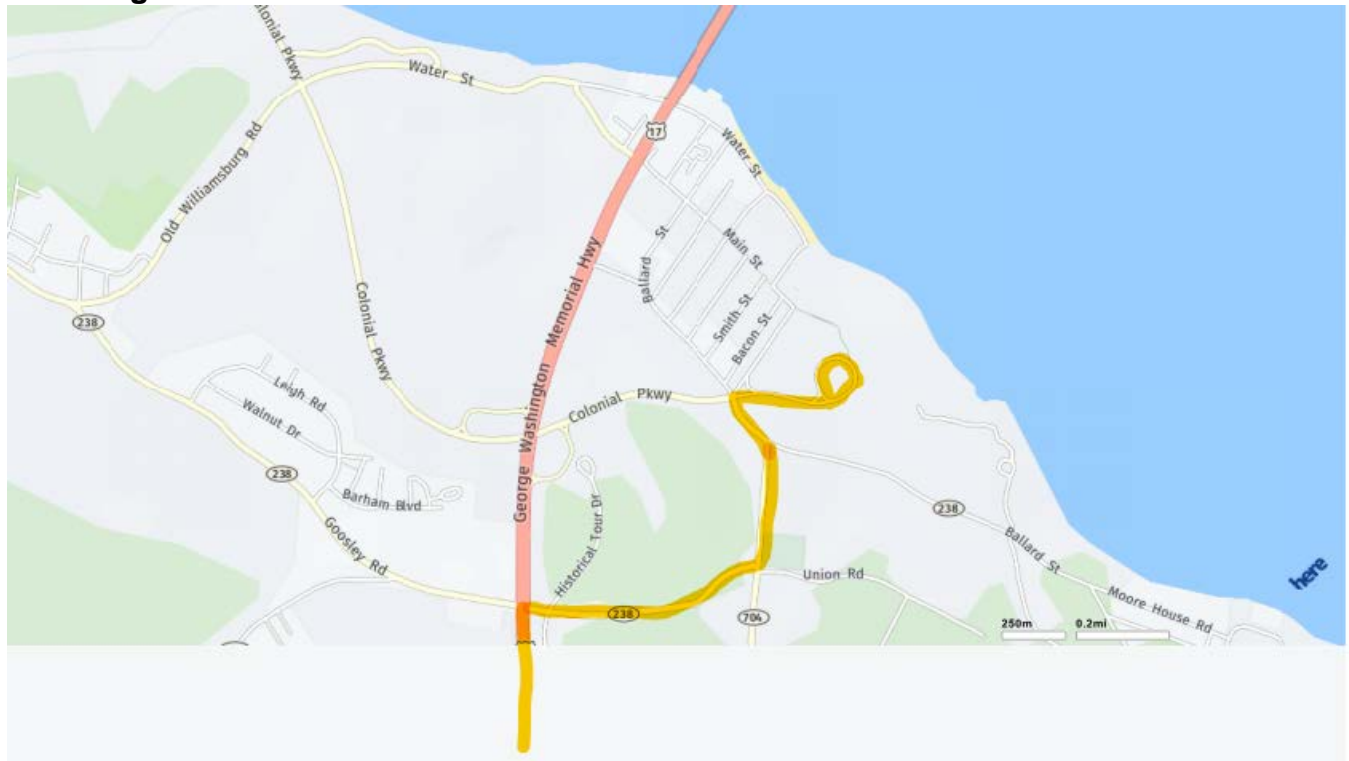
Traveling from Coast Guard Station / Moore House to Route 17 and Colonial Parkway west to Williamsburg.



Signs -

- Detour Ahead Sign along with Left Detour arrow on [Ballard Street](#) and Cook Street.
- Right Detour arrow at [Goosley Road](#).
- Custom sign "Colonial Parkway Williamsburg" with an "American Revolution Museum" sign and a Detour Arrow on [Goosley](#) at the intersection of route 17.
- (4) Detour arrow along [Goosley Road](#) near intersecting streets.
- Turn Right Detour arrow – warning on [Goosley Road](#) to Old Williamsburg Road.
- Turn Right Detour arrow with "American Revolution Museum" sign the intersection of [Goosley](#) and [Old Williamsburg Roads](#).
- Detour arrow middle of [Old Williamsburg Road](#) turns to "Water Street".
- Turn Left Detour arrow on [Water Street](#).
- Turn Left Detour at [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#) intersection with [Water Street](#). This is the entrance of the American Revolution Museum.
- Detour arrow on [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#).
- End Detour sign at [Colonial Parkway](#) west to Williamsburg.

Traveling North on US 17 to National Park Service Yorktown Battle Field Visitor Center



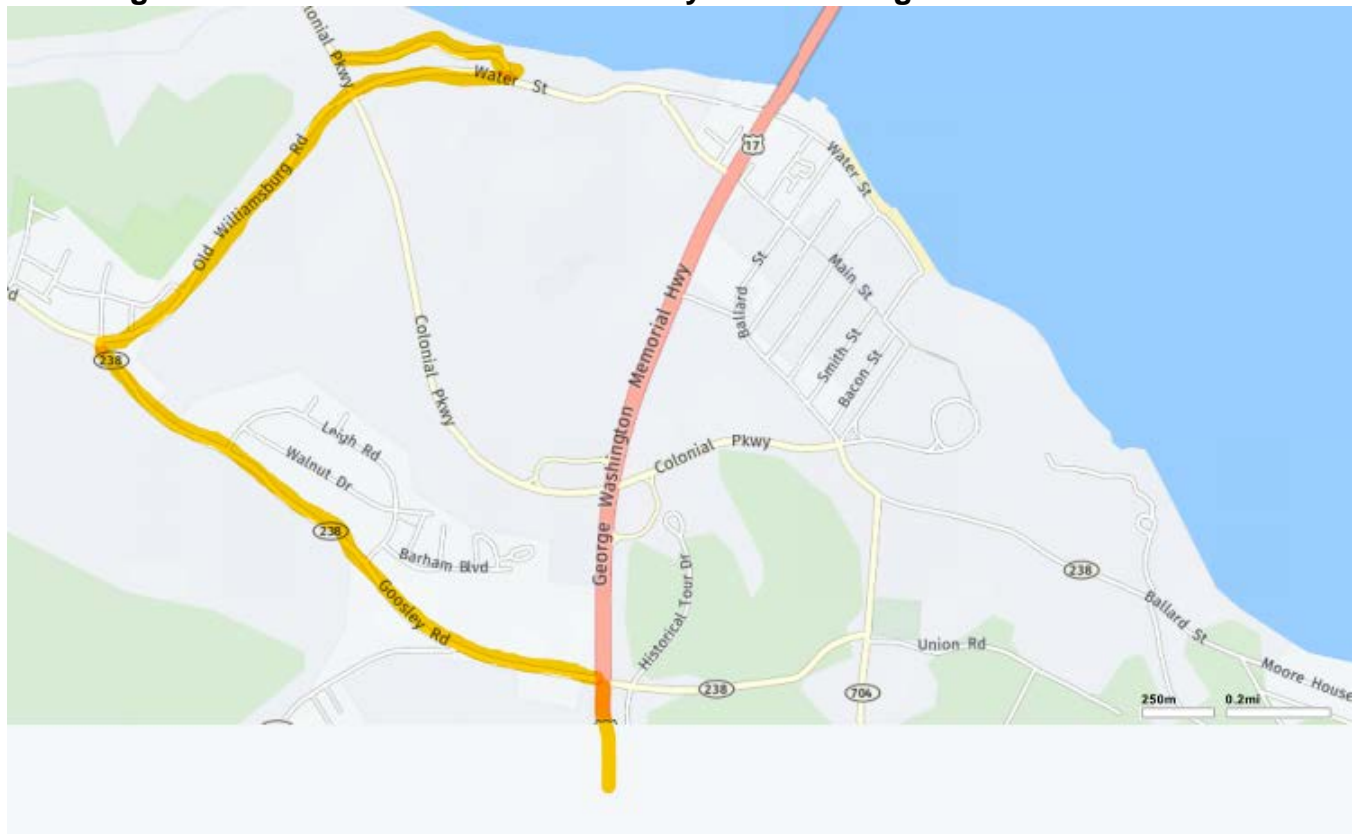
Signs -

- Message Board – Colonial Parkway is closed. Near overhead West Tour Road Bridge.
- Detour Ahead Sign.
- Custom sign “NPS Visitor Center Yorktown” (right lane of US 17) with a Right Detour Arrow sign at [Goosley Road](#).
- Left Detour arrow at [Cook Road](#).
- Left Detour arrow at [Ballard Street](#).
- End Detour sign at [Ballard Street](#) and Visitor Center Entrance.

The following barricades and signs will be in place on Route 17 “George Washington Memorial Hwy.” beyond the detour route to close the Colonial Parkway ramps. The exits at Alexander Hamilton Blvd. and Mathews Street will remain open.

- Right Turn Lane Closed ahead.
- (3) Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the “Colonial Parkway” east “NPS Yorktown”.
- Left Turn Lane Closed ahead.
- 3 Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the Colonial Parkway West Williamsburg.

Traveling North on US 17 to Colonial Parkway Williamsburg



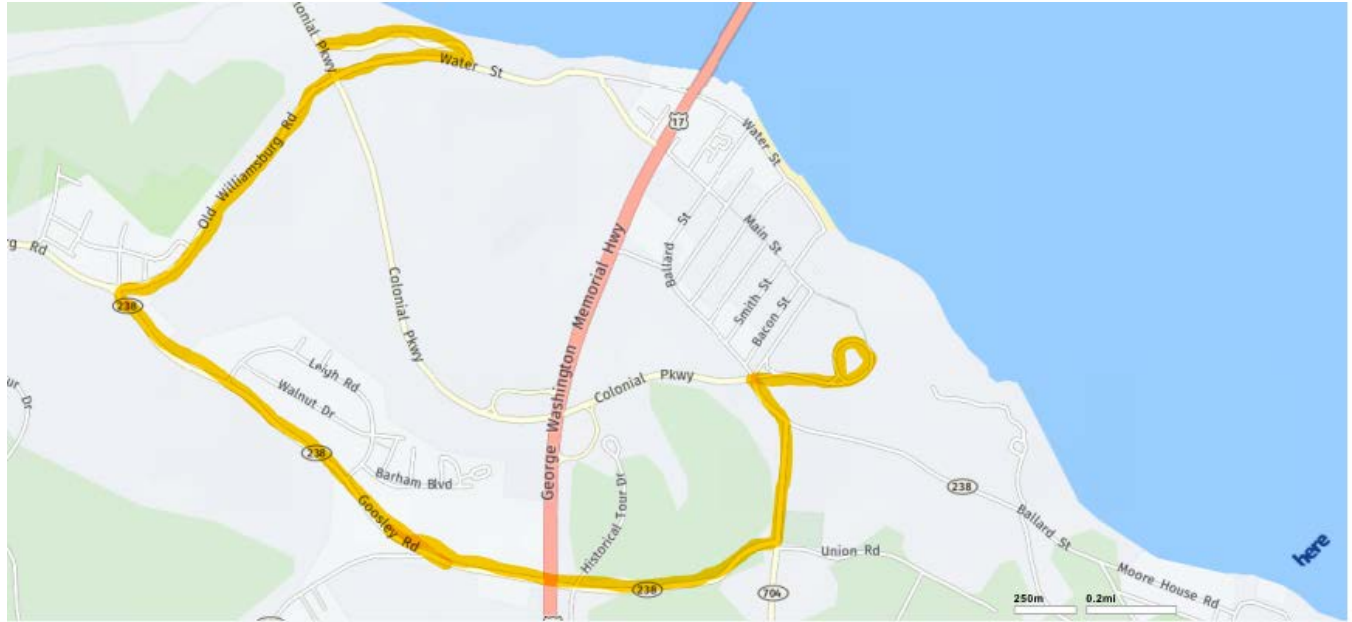
Signs -

- Message Board – Colonial Parkway is closed. Near overhead West Tour Road Bridge
- Detour Ahead Sign.
- Custom sign “Colonial Parkway Williamsburg” along with the “American Revolution Museum” sign (Left Lane of US 17) with a Left Detour Arrow sign at [Goosley Road](#).
- (4) Detour arrow along [Goosley Road](#) near intersecting streets.
- Turn Right Detour arrow – warning on [Goosley Road](#) to Old Williamsburg Road.
- Turn Right Detour arrow with “American Revolution Museum” sign the intersection of [Goosley](#) and [Old Williamsburg Roads](#).
- Detour arrow middle of [Old Williamsburg Road](#) turns to “Water Street”.
- Turn Left Detour arrow on [Water Street](#).
- Turn Left Detour at [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#) intersection with [Water Street](#). This is the entrance of the American Revolution Museum.
- Detour arrow on [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#).
- End Detour sign at [Colonial Parkway](#) west to Williamsburg.

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- (3) Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the “Colonial Parkway” east “NPS Yorktown”.
- Left Turn Lane Closed ahead.
- 3 Road Closed barricades, 1 at each ramp to the Colonial Parkway West Williamsburg.

Traveling East on Colonial Parkway to US 17 and NPS Yorktown Battlefield Visitor Center.



Signs -

- Message Board – Colonial Parkway is closed. Near the Naval Station gate on the Colonial Parkway.
- Detour Ahead Sign.
- Turn Left Detour arrow at [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#).
- Detour arrow on [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#).
- Turn Right Detour arrow on [Fusiliers Redoubt Ramp](#) at intersection of [Water Street](#).
- Detour arrow middle of [Water Street](#) which is renamed Old Williamsburg Road.
- Turn Left Detour arrow – warning on [Old Williamsburg Road](#) to Goosley Road.
- Turn Left Detour arrow at [Old Williamsburg Road](#) to Goosley Road
- (2) Detour arrow along [Goosley Road](#) near intersecting streets.
- Custom sign “NPS Visitor Center Yorktown” with Straight Detour Area sign on [Goosley Road](#) at US 17 intersection.
- Turn Left Detour arrow on [Goosley Road](#) and intersection of Cook Road.
- Turn Left Detour arrow on [Cook Road](#) and the intersection of Ballard Road.
- End of Detour sign at the entrance to the National Park Service Yorktown Visitors Center.