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VDOT Opens Two New Ramps at Route 28 and Sterling Boulevard

A portion of the new Route 28 interchange at Sterling Boulevard in Loudoun County opened this afternoon in time for the evening commute. The ramps from Sterling Boulevard to Route 28 north and south opened to traffic at 2 p.m. The ramps from Route 28 to Sterling Boulevard will open in January, weather permitting.

The Sterling Boulevard interchange is the sixth of 10 interchanges on Route 28 in Loudoun and Fairfax Counties to be constructed as part of the agreement signed in 2002 between the Commonwealth, Clark Construction Group Inc. and Shirley Contracting Company LLC to design and build interchanges under the Public-Private Transportation Act.

Since December 2003, interchanges have opened at Air & Space Museum Parkway, Waxpool Road/Church Road/Route 625, Old Ox Road/Route 606, Westfields Boulevard and McLearen Road. Design is underway and construction begins next summer on interchanges at Nokes Boulevard, Frying Pan Road Willard Road. A partial interchange will be built at Innovation Drive. The four interchanges are estimated to cost \$111 million and will be completed by 2009.

The speed limit on northbound Route 28 at Sterling Boulevard has been reduced from 55 mph to 50 mph until construction is finished. The cost of the interchange is approximately \$31.5 million for design, right of way acquisition and construction.

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