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**JOINT STATEMENT FROM SUFFOLK COUNTY, TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON, AND VILLAGE
OF SOUTHAMPTON ON U.S. OPEN PREPARATIONS
UPDATE**

As we prepare for the first round of the U.S. Open, the following transportation improvement efforts are being made by our joint police operations to help mitigate travel difficulties for the tens of thousands of attendees making their way to this iconic event each day. If you must travel during the morning rush hours, leave extra time and be advised of the following:

After studying traffic patterns both normal and associated with the U.S. Open, traffic signal lights at several intersections along Montauk Hwy and on CR 39 are set to flash to avoid unnecessary stops during peak hours and traffic posts continue to be monitored to react to changing patterns in real time. Officers are directing traffic at main intersections during various heavy traffic times. Police operations have also worked with the USGA to modify some of the original shuttle bus movements. Traffic lanes on CR 31 in the area of Gabreski Airport have been better defined, providing improvements in traffic flow.

Traffic delays should be anticipated especially on routes impacted by U.S. Open traffic, including NY 27, CR 39, Montauk Highway and NY 24. We are urging all those who are traveling to the championship to utilize the Long Island Rail Road to help relieve congestion and avoid vehicular traffic delays. The Long Island Rail Road is adding additional trains this weekend to accommodate U.S. Open Fans. To view schedules and routes visit www.mta.info/lirr.

Keep in mind that this area is burdened with very heavy morning (5am – 9am) and evening (4pm – 8pm) vehicular volume this time of year, and although significant steps have been taken to keep traffic moving, the volume of attendees and resultant traffic expected will likely create delays throughout the morning. If possible, please be flexible with your travel times, and if you must travel during these hours, prepare accordingly. For a list of all travel info and road closures, visit [here](#).

UPDATE:

Southampton Town Police is currently working with Southampton Village Police to modify traffic signal sequence timing in a continued effort to optimize traffic flow through the area during the U.S. Open.