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MEMORANDUM TO: News Media and Local Authorities

FROM: Karen E. Collette, PE
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SUBJECT: **Intermittent Lane Closures
On the Odell Williamson Bridge
Ocean Isle Beach
Brunswick County**

The North Carolina Department of Transportation will **have intermittent lane closures (rotating North and South bound lanes) on the Odell Williamson Bridge in Ocean Isle Beach, Brunswick County beginning Monday October 16th, 2017 through Wednesday October 18, 2017 (9:00am – 4:00pm each day)** to perform the routine bridge inspection. One lane will remain open to traffic at all times.

Federal Highway Administration requires all bridges to be inspected once every two years. Regular inspections help the department identify whether a bridge needs maintenance and repair, then schedule them accordingly. If inspectors find a safety concern, the bridge will be repaired or closed immediately until the repairs can be made.

The NCDOT reminds motorists to STAY ALERT, use alternate routes when possible during this period, drive with caution, obey the posted speed limits, and allow extra travel time.

For additional information regarding the dates and times of this lane closure, please visit <http://www.ncdot.gov> and click on "Travel & Maps" then, click on "Traveler Information Management System" and use the dropdown menus for county or route, or call "511" from any phone. For real-time travel information, visit DriveNC.gov or follow NCDOT on Twitter.

To obtain more information about this work, you may contact Brad Koonce, NCDOT Bridge Maintenance at (910) 371-6580.

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