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EASTBOUND COUNTY ROAD 42 **CLOSED** AT I-35W BEGINNING MAY 17

Westbound Closure Wrapping Up Ahead of Schedule, Set to Reopen May 17

Full Eastbound Closure Expected to Last Five Weeks

Eastbound County Road 42 Bridge over I-35W Closing May 17

Beginning the morning of Wednesday, May 17, eastbound County Road 42 will be **completely closed** at the I-35W junction for bridge repair and road improvements. There will be NO eastbound access over the bridge for five (5) weeks.

Westbound access, which has been closed since April 17, is expected to reopen ahead of schedule on May 17.

Additional information on this closure including detour/route maps and sign-ups for email notifications is available online at www.dakotacounty.us, search "County Road 42."

In general, drivers can follow the tips below during the eastbound closure. Drivers are also asked to plan their alternate routes in advance to avoid unnecessary traffic congestion. Closure and detour signage will be posted on roadways prior to work starting.

Traveling East on County Road 42

- Access to I-35W North/South will be closed
- Access to Buck Hill Road will remain open

Traveling West on County Road 42

- Access to I-35W North and South will remain open
- Access to Buck Hill Road will remain open

Traveling South on I-35W

- Ramp to County Road 42 will remain open
- Access to Westbound County Road 42 will remain open
- Access to Eastbound County Road 42 will be closed
- Access to Buck Hill Road will remain open

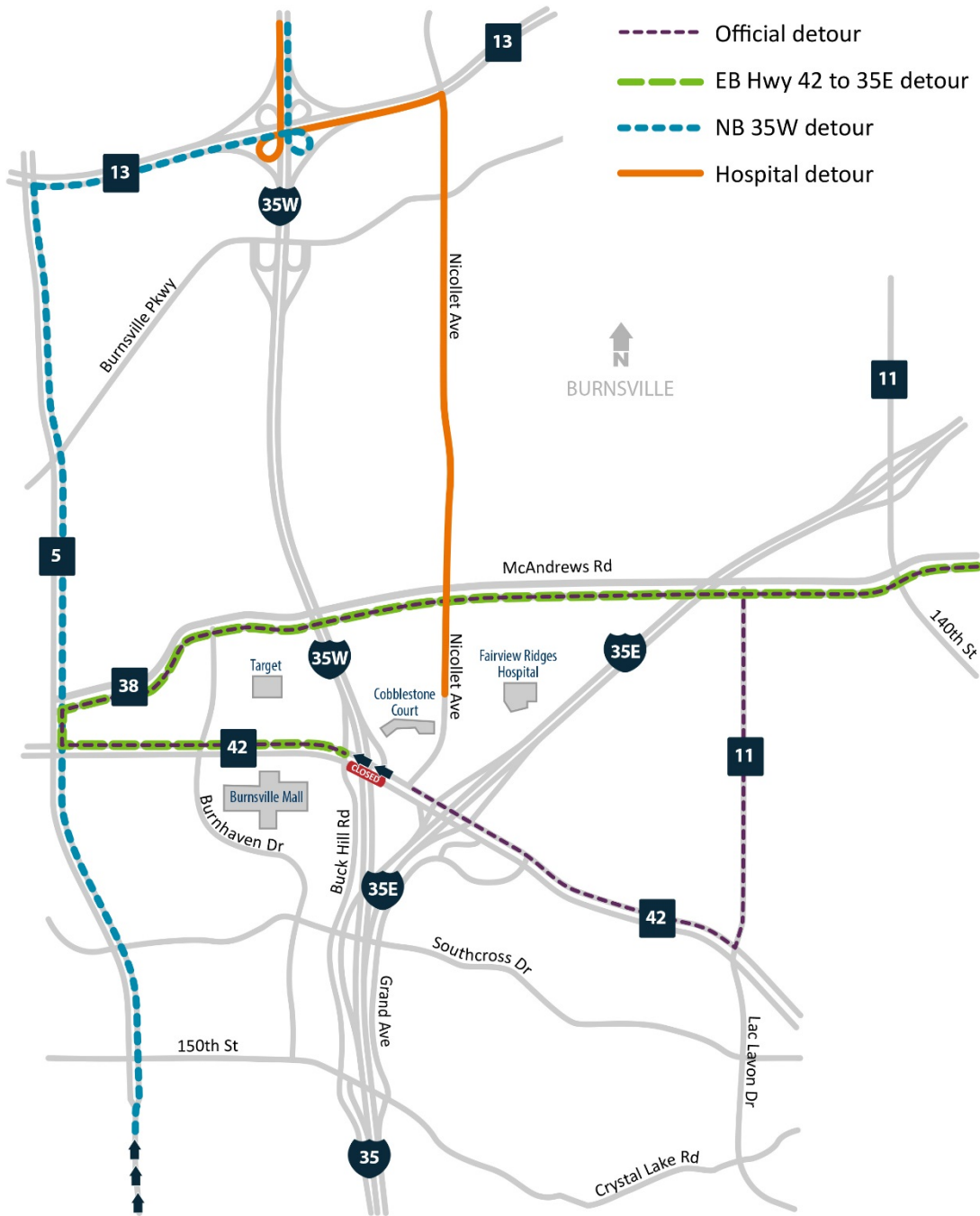
Businesses along the County Road 42 corridor will remain open, and will be allowed additional directional signage during construction. Motorists are encouraged to plan ahead when shopping or dining in the area.

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Why the Work?

The County Road 42 corridor is vital for homeowners, retail businesses and commuters. The roadway has an average daily traffic volume of more than 50,000 vehicles, and experiences a number of traffic backups.

The project will include an updated roadway, signals and signage – as well an extension of the existing left turn lane at the junction of County Road 42 and the I-35W north ramp. The existing turn lane sees frequent backups. This work is meant to help traffic flow more smoothly in the corridor, and maintain safety for motorists.



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