



WILL ROGERS WORLD AIRPORT

# Will Rogers World Airport

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## **MAJOR ROADWAY CONSTRUCTION BEGINS OCTOBER 14 AT WRWA**

*Lane Closures and Detours Will Slow Airport Traffic*

OKLAHOMA CITY, October 2, 2019 – Beginning Monday, October 14, lanes will be narrowed on Terminal Drive, the main roadway in and out of the WRWA terminal area, to begin phase one of a \$4.5 million reconstruction project.

While a welcome project to those who visit or work at the airport, traffic will be significantly impacted. The construction zone will begin on Meridian Avenue just north of the S.W. 54<sup>th</sup> Street bridge at which point Meridian Avenue/Terminal Drive will be narrowed to one lane in each direction. For a period of time, no left turns will be allowed from Meridian Avenue/Terminal Drive to east and west bound S.W. 54<sup>th</sup> Street. Those vehicles will be detoured to Air Cargo Road via Amelia Earhart Lane. The airport strongly encourages both inbound and outbound drivers to utilize Airport Road in lieu of 54<sup>th</sup> Street.

Anyone coming to the airport, should be aware there is a strong likelihood of traffic backups and delays particularly in the early morning hours and late afternoon. This should be factored into the time allotted to get to a flight. The airport is recommending travelers allow an additional 15-20 minutes to navigate the construction beyond the one-and half hours already allotted for parking, check-in and the security checkpoint.

All parking facilities will be accessible throughout the project. Signage will be in place to help direct parkers.

Terminal Drive has been deteriorating over the last several years due to an insufficient roadway base to handle the increased vehicular and bus traffic. This full depth repair will result in new asphalt paving for Terminal Drive. The entire project is divided into three phases and expected to last for eight months. A map is attached depicting the roadway closures and detours.

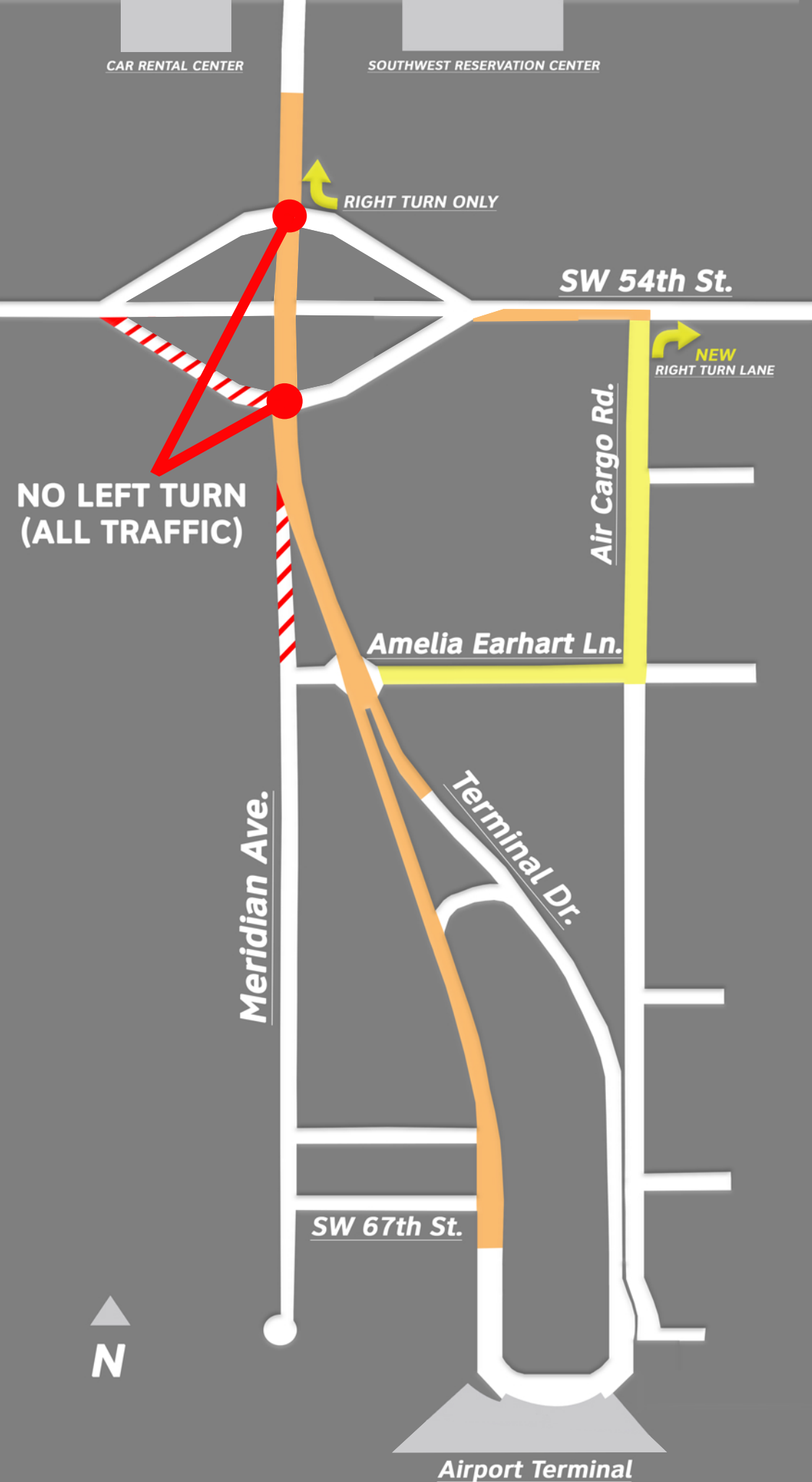
(Map attached)

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*Will Rogers World Airport is Oklahoma City's commercial airport and accommodates nearly 4.3 million travelers each year. The airport services 28 nonstop airports with an average of 74 daily departures. Will Rogers World Airport is owned by the City of Oklahoma City and leased to the Oklahoma City Airport Trust. The Trust oversees the management and operation of the airport.*



# Airport Traffic Update



## Phase 1 - Terminal Drive Reconstruction

| Est. detour start: Oct. 14 | Phase 1 length: Oct. - Feb. | Project length: Oct. - May |

### CLOSURES

- EB ramp from SW 54th St. to Terminal Dr.
- SB Meridian Ave. from Terminal Dr. to Amelia Earhart Ln.

### SINGLE LANES

- NB & SB single lanes from just north of SW 54th St. bridge south to Amelia Earhart Ln. intersection
- SB single lane from Amelia Earhart Ln. to just south of SW 67th St. intersection
- EB SW 54th St. from Terminal Dr. off-ramp to Air Cargo Rd.

### DETOUR ROUTE & LEFT TURN RESTRICTIONS

- Detour signage will direct traffic around the temporary closures. This will mean much heavier traffic on Air Cargo Rd. and Amelia Earhart Ln. A dedicated right turn lane will be installed on Air Cargo Rd. at SW 54th St.

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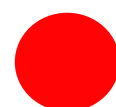
Road Closure



Single Lanes (see details above)



Detour Route



Left Turn Restriction



# Airport Traffic Update

## Phase 2 - Terminal Drive Reconstruction

| Est. detour start: Oct. 14 | Phase 2 length: Dec. - Mar. | Project length: Oct. - May |

### CLOSURES

- EB ramp from Terminal Dr. to EB SW 54th St.

### SINGLE LANES

- NB & SB single lanes from just north of SW 54th St. bridge south to Amelia Earhart Ln. intersection
- SB single lane from Amelia Earhart Ln. to just south of SW 67th St. intersection
- EB SW 54th St. from Terminal Dr. off-ramp to Air Cargo Rd.

### DETOUR ROUTE & LEFT TURN RESTRICTIONS

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Road Closure



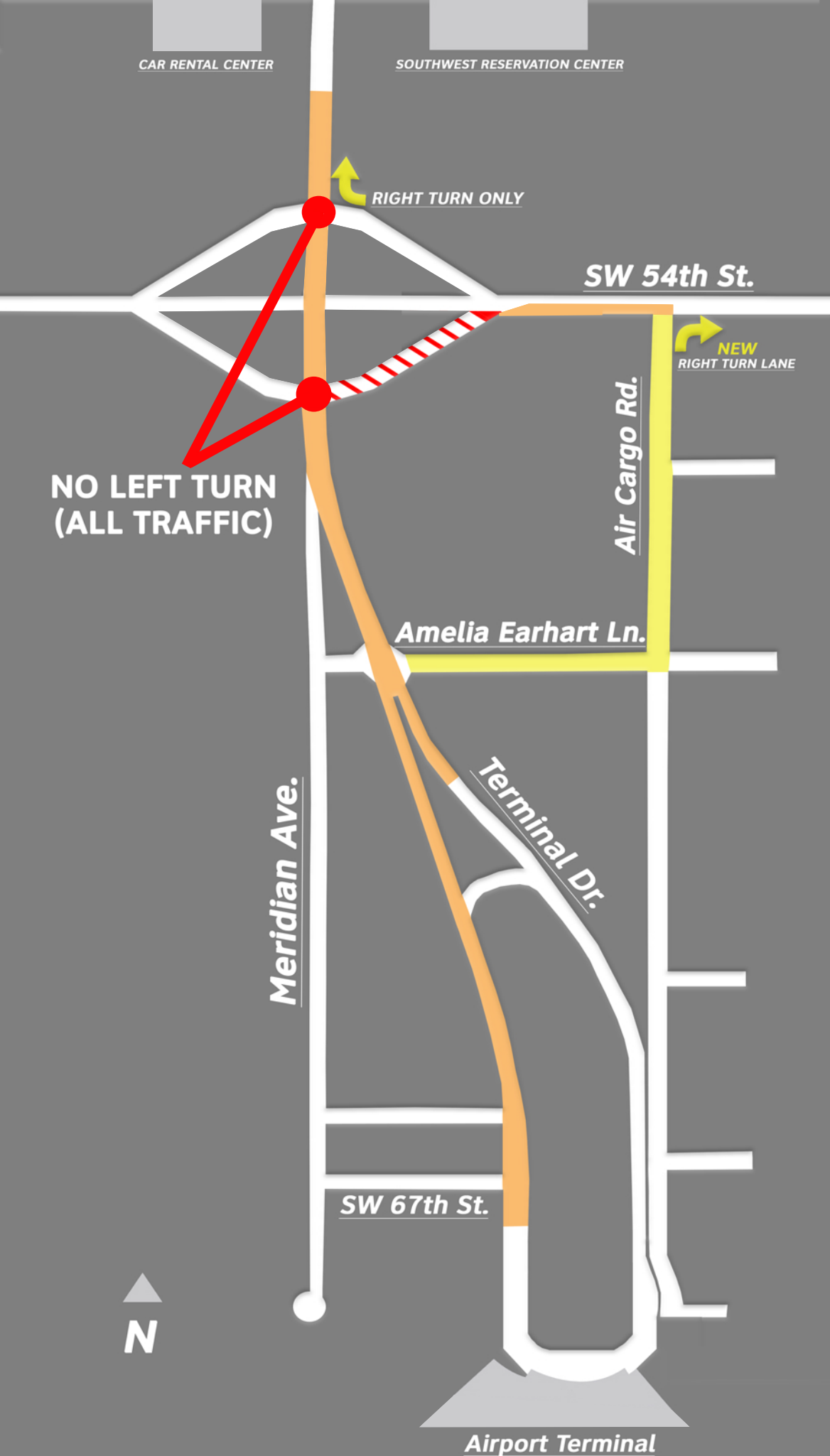
Single Lanes (see details above)



Detour Route



Left Turn Restriction



CAR RENTAL CENTER

SOUTHWEST RESERVATION CENTER



# Airport Traffic Update

## Phase 3 - Terminal Drive Reconstruction

| Detours removed | Phase 3 length: Mar. - May | Project length: Oct. - May |

### CLOSURES

- All closures anticipated to be open

### SINGLE LANES

- Lane reductions will be just south of flag plaza turnaround on SB Terminal Dr. This phase will impact a shuttle entry/exit and two entry columns for Lot 2

### DETOUR ROUTE & LEFT TURN RESTRICTIONS

- It is anticipated at this point in the project that all detour route signage and left turn restrictions will be removed

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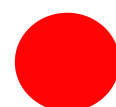
Road Closure



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Detour Route



Left Turn Restriction

