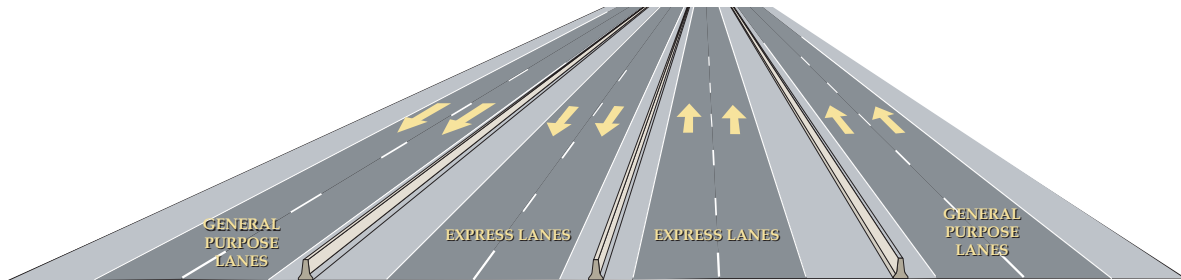


EXPRESS LANES



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can or will existing lanes be tolled?

No, according to current state statute, current capacity can not be tolled.

Are Express Lanes free, or do I have to pay to use them ?

Some are free and some require tolls. HOVs are free, HOT and ETL are tolled.

What is the difference between High Occupancy Toll Lanes (HOT) and Express Toll Lanes (ETL)?

HOTs are free to vehicles with the specified minimum occupants. ETLs toll vehicles regardless of the number of occupants.

What are the different types of tolling methods?

There are a number of different tolling methods. The toll can be a fixed price, or it can vary by the time of the day (variable pricing) or it can vary depending on the demand at any given time (dynamic pricing).

Can I access these lanes anywhere?

Because Express Lanes are physically (barrier) separated from General Purpose Lanes, access is limited.

What are the limits of the Express Lanes?

We are still in the process of defining the limits. They will be determined by the demand and logical locations for access.

Why are there four lanes for the Express Lanes? Wouldn't two be sufficient?

Four lanes are necessary to ensure that the demand does not exceed capacity of the Express Lanes. In order for the Express Lanes to be effective, they have to save time for the user, and adequate laneage must be provided to increase reliability.