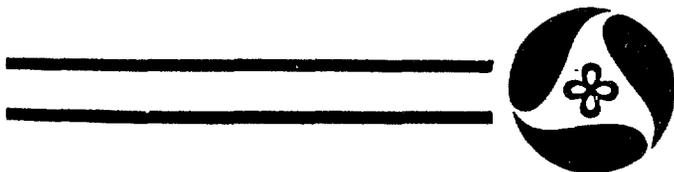


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I-235 Widening Project 1986 Construction Season

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... is expected to be in operation by Memorial Day. The 75-foot boat will accommodate 200 passengers and will run daily cruises throughout the summer and will be available for charter trips and parties.

The boat is being built in Sturgeon Bay, Wis.

Ex-member of King staff cills of 'new racism' in U.S.

Register's Iowa News Service
WAVERLY, IA. — A former member of Martin Luther King's staff told Wartburg College audience Tuesday at a new racism is growing in America.

"Excessive conservative politics means excessive far right racism," said C.T. Vivian of Atlanta, Ga. He called racism "genocide in slow motion" and said eliminating racism would be one of the United States' main goals.

But he noted that 32 percent of the blacks in the United States live in poverty. There has been a revival of the Klux Klan, he said, and what he called the "Nazification" of the Klan and other organizations, such as Posse Comitatus.

He said Vivian: "America is falling apart because of racism. You can use politics but not our humanity. The issue is not other races but the nature of the nation."

1st Liberty budget cuts are Weekly Reader

POST LIBERTY, IA. (AP) — It's to lay off teachers and a principal save money, but the West Liberty School Board has decided to keep its staff off the Weekly Reader. The page newsletter, which has kept librarians of Iowa grade-school students abreast of current events, surd \$94,000 in budget cuts by the end of this week. The district spends \$6 a year on Weekly Readers.

her trustees OK policy Africa investments

Register's Iowa News Service
CORAH, IA. — Trustees of Lu-Corah College have adopted a policy of doing business in racially segregated South Africa following student demands that the college divest itself of \$1.3 million in South African investments. The policy stops short of requiring the college to sell those investments. The policy, companies in which Luther has investments will be required to sign the anti-apartheid Sullivan principles of affirmative action to draw from business in South Africa. The policy stops short of requiring the college to sell those investments.

hearing is scheduled. Mott said he would be ordered to appear at Meyer Hall to state his "best interests of the children."

If not held in detention, "there is a substantial risk the children might run away or not show up for future hearings," Mott said.

"I am still not satisfied" that their mother "has the control of her children as required by the circumstances," he said.

In an effort to get them released to her custody, Donna Woodard, 36, the children's mother, testified that she

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... been perceived as the party of rights, social justice and greater opportunity to realize the American dream.

"Locally, however, the Democratic Party has lost touch with the black community and at times have demonstrated themselves insensitive and vicious toward the black community."

The only example Narcisse cited was the purchase by the state Democratic Party of a computer made by IBM, which does business with South Africa's racist government.

Narcisse said he has launched a petition drive to convert black Democrats and hopes to get 100 voters to

Jonathan Narcisse
"Platform rhetoric?"

switch parties by the end of the year. He said he already has 100 black Democrats to switch.

Rudy Simms, regional director of the National Conference of Black Jews, said Narcisse's attack against the Democrats is "a certain extent" but "platform rhetoric" Narcisse

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DOT warns of traffic snarls caused by freeway project

By WILLIAM PETROSKI

Register Staff Writer

Construction will begin next week on a \$6 million project to add two more lanes to the MacVicar Freeway in West Des Moines and Windsor Heights, and officials warned Wednesday that the work will snarl traffic until late fall.

The project will extend between the interchanges at Sixty-third Street in Des Moines and Eighth Street in West Des Moines. One lane will be added on each side of the highway, expanding the freeway from four lanes to six lanes.

The work is aimed at increasing the traffic capacity of the freeway, which carries up to an average of 61,000 vehicles a day, according to state statistics. The project is expected to be completed by mid-November.

Beginning Saturday, the eastbound entrance ramp at Eighth Street in West Des Moines, which is Seventy-third Street in Windsor Heights, will be closed for most of the construction season, Iowa Department of Transportation officials said. The westbound exit ramp at Sixty-third Street will be closed during mid-summer for about a month.

In addition, Cummins Parkway will be closed at the MacVicar Freeway bridge starting Monday because of

bridge construction. But the sidewalk will remain open for pedestrians. Cummins Parkway will reopen about mid-July.

The speed limit on the freeway will be reduced to 45 mph within the construction zone, officials said. Two narrow lanes of traffic will be maintained.

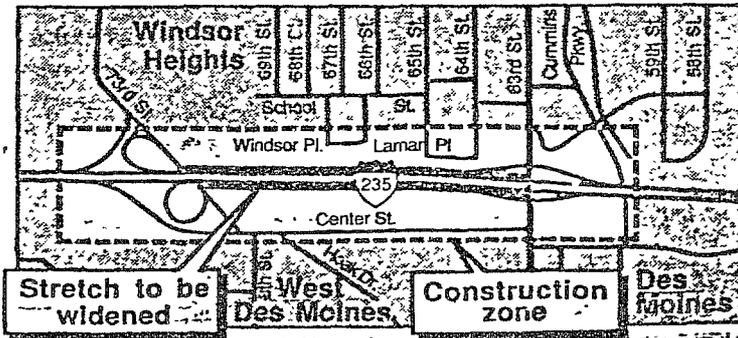
Robert Humphrey of Ames, district engineer for the DOT, said, "We are recommending that drivers avoid the construction zone if at all possible."

Signs will be installed at each end of the freeway, encouraging through traffic to use Interstate Highways 80 and 35 around the north and west sides of Des Moines.

To avoid having major traffic delays on the freeway following accidents, the DOT is installing signs that can be uncovered quickly to warn motorists to take other routes. Off-duty police officers will be stationed in the construction area during most work hours, officials said, and a truck will be available to quickly remove stalled cars.

If traffic is blocked in the construction area, eastbound vehicles will be diverted off the freeway at Twenty-second Street in West Des Moines, officials said. Westbound vehicles will be diverted at Fifty-sixth Street.

REGISTER MAP BY JOHN WRIGHTFIELD



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By WILLIAM SIMBRO

Register Religion Writer

The Des Moines Catholic newspaper, The Catholic Mirror, begins May 1 because of

The Rev. Michael O'Meara, chief aide to Bishop Mauri diocese was "spending more but necessary" steps are being building for three years than \$300,000 by June 30, 1987.

The most sweeping step of the bi-weekly Mirror Catholic families in the Des Moines area. O'Meara said the new \$203,000 in diocesan funds received in advertising revenue.

The Mirror staff had planned the anniversary of the paper's

Four newspaper staffers cost-cutting effort. They are: editor, a 17-year veteran; E. years; and Mary Finn, a parishioner who has been with the Mirror since 1968.

In other cutbacks, Patri Catholic Social Service for employees of the diocese, and he 12-year employee, will lose

O'Meara said during the 1987 July 1, 1987, studies will be communications in the diocese some type of publication within months.

A lone picket, Mary Ann tested the action Wednesday at the diocese's chancery building at saying "Our 75th anniversary, unemployment for laity

The diocese is celebrating of a \$5 million capital fund center is earmarked for repaying future priests' pensions. O'Meara said pensions are up increasing chunks of the diocese's financial disaster would be an endowment drive.

"I see a lack of regard and respect for the people who work for the church. They try to maintain and support," she said she chose to picket



Iowa Department of Transportation

Area Media (Dallas, Madison, Polk & Warren Counties)

Feb. 14, 1986

AMES, IOWA - Plans are nearly complete for handling traffic in the West Des Moines, Windsor Heights and Des Moines area this year while Interstate 235 is being improved.

The \$6 million improvement of I-235 involves the adding of one lane in each direction and widening of six bridges between Eighth Street in West Des Moines (73rd Street in Windsor Heights) and 63rd Street in Des Moines. The construction will close I-235 entrance and exit ramps at various times. The ramp onto eastbound I-235 at Eighth Street will be closed during most of the construction season, and the westbound off-ramp at 63rd Street will be closed during one stage of the work. Signs will be placed on Windsor Heights, West Des Moines and Des Moines streets to help motorists find alternate routes to open eastbound I-235 entrance ramps.

During construction the shoulders and one traffic lane will be used to maintain two lanes of traffic in each direction, but motorists are encouraged to use other routes, especially during the rush hours. Further, signs will be put up at each end of I-235 encouraging through traffic to use I-80/35.

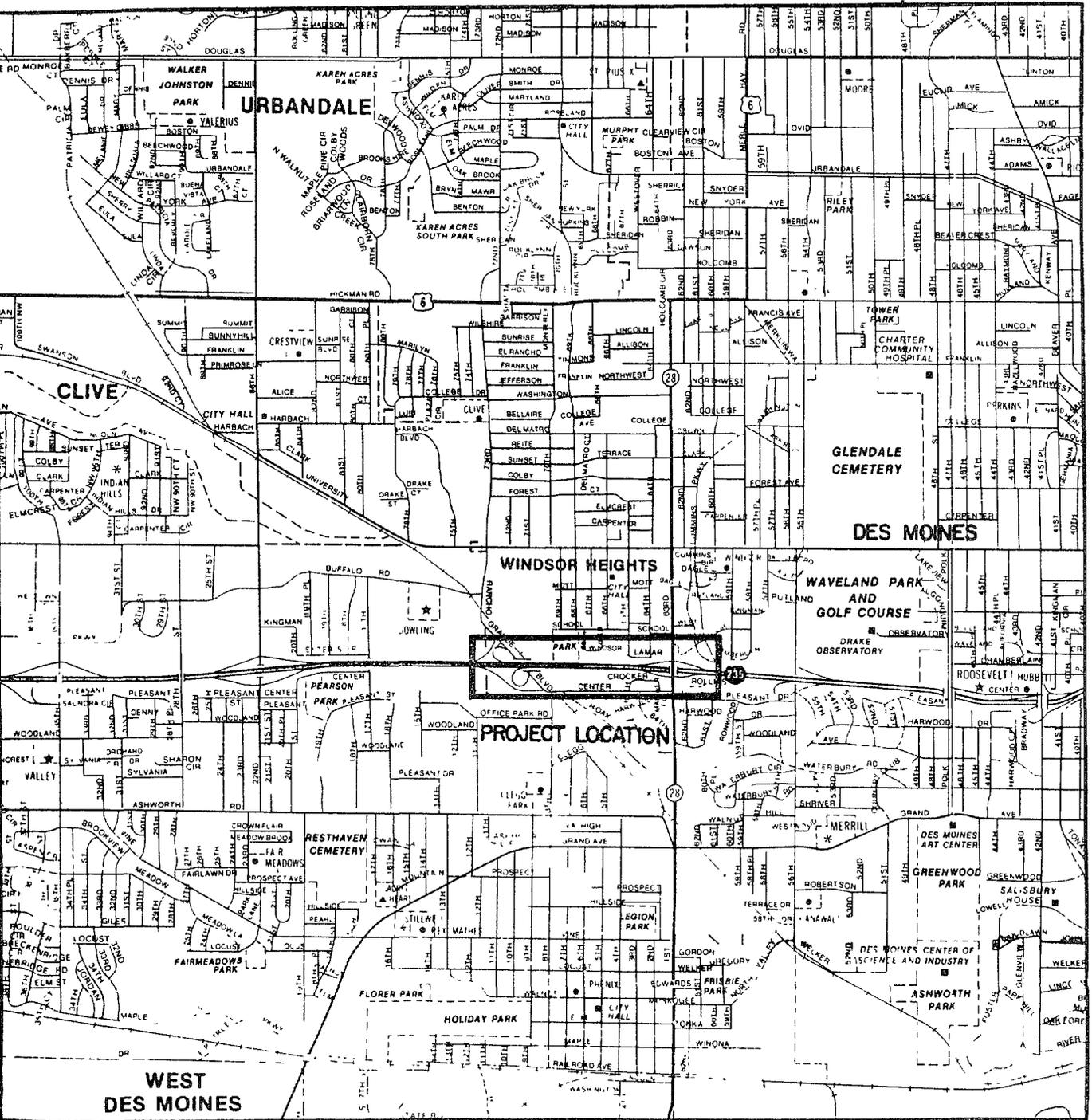
In case of an accident in the work area which would tie up traffic, the DOT is placing signs which can be quickly put into use to warn motorists to take other routes. Off-duty police officers will be stationed in the work area during most of the working hours, and a special vehicle will be used for initial responses to accidents. If traffic is blocked in the construction area, eastbound vehicles will be diverted off I-235 at 22nd Street; westbound vehicles will be diverted at 56th Street.

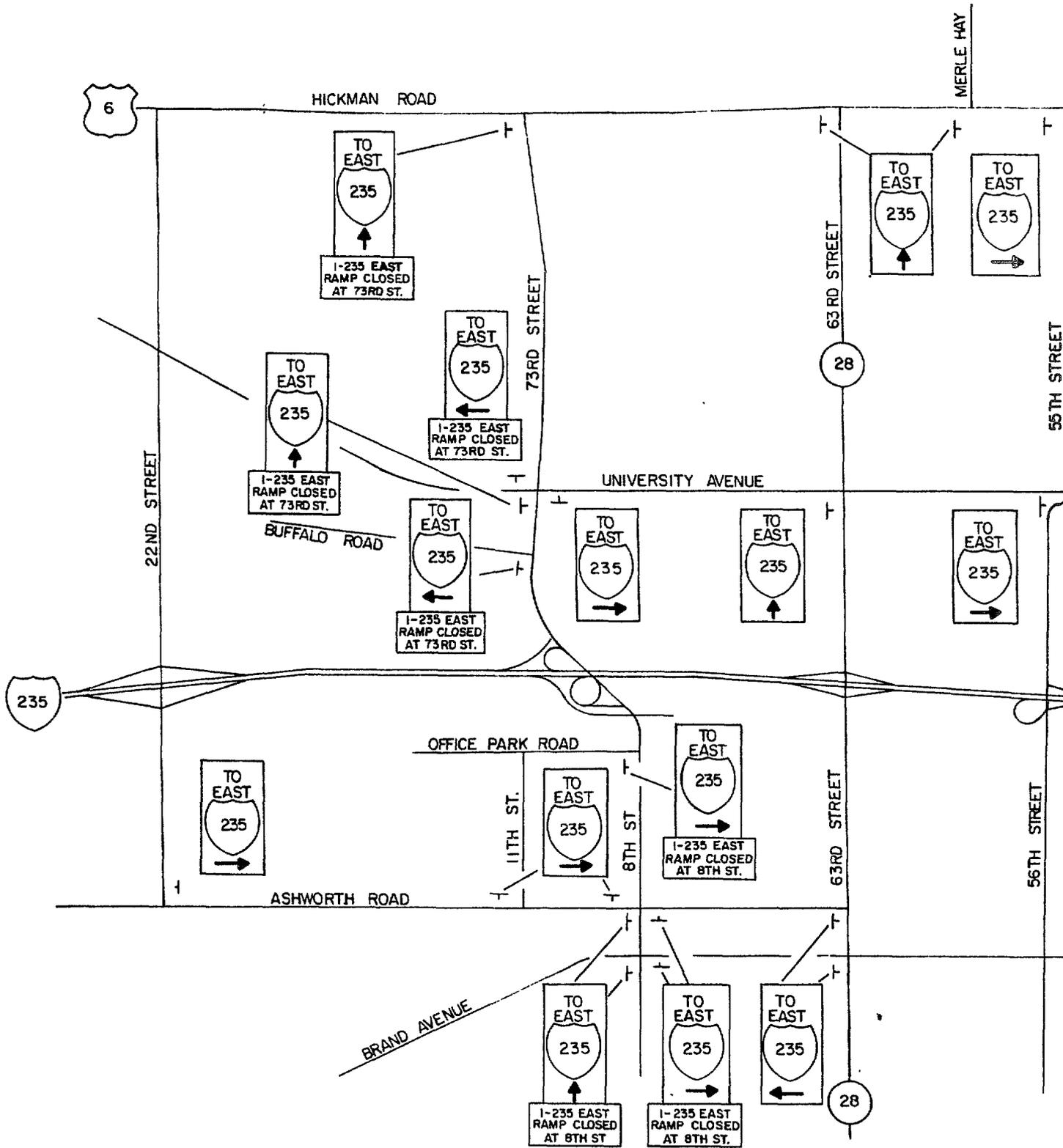
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IOWA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

I-235 WIDENING

1986





ALTERNATE ROUTE SIGNING
EASTBOUND I-235 ENTRANCE RAMP CLOSURE
8TH STREET WEST DES MOINES
(73RD STREET WINDSOR HEIGHTS)

**I-235 WIDENING
INCIDENT MANAGEMENT
1986 CONSTRUCTION SEASON**

An urban freeway incident could be caused by a spill, vehicle breakdown, accident or any other event that causes congestion and delay by restricting normal traffic flow. They create traffic congestion and delay resulting in increased fuel consumption, emission of air pollutants and loss of productive time.

While I-235 is being widened from west of 8th Street West Des Moines/73rd Street Windsor Heights to east of 63rd Street in Des Moines there will be periods when the lane and shoulder widths are restricted. During these times, should incidents occur, they are likely to have a greater than normal effect on the flow of traffic.

Several steps are being planned to minimize the impact of incidents in the project area. Each of these steps is included in one or more of the following three phases of activity which take place after an incident has occurred.

1. Detection activities, which are undertaken to determine if an incident has occurred, its location, and what services are required.
2. Response activities, which include reaching the incident site quickly with the correct services.
3. Clearance activities, which are undertaken to remove the incident from the freeway.

The primary responsibility for responding to incidents normally lies with the Police Department of the city in which the incident occurs. Since the project lies in three cities, close cooperation will be required of the three police departments to ensure timely response. They have agreed to assist each other to the extent that limitations of logistical components will allow. These efforts may be supplemented by assistance from the Polk County Sheriffs Department and/or the Iowa State Patrol.

The contractor will provide an incident response vehicle which will be stationed within the project area. It and an operator will be available to quickly assist with removal of incidents from the freeway. An off-duty uniformed police officer will be on duty during working hours up to twelve hours per day except on Sunday. These personnel will be responsible for incident detection, and determining the initial response necessary, which may include telephone or radio requests for further assistance. The off duty police officer scheduling will be handled by the Windsor Heights Police Department. The contractor will Provide 24 hour per day service to the traffic contra' devices; this Person will also be able to provide quick detection and reporting of incidents.

To assist with the reporting and response processes a sketch has been prepared which divides the project area into zones. The person reporting the incident can do so by zone as well as by a verbal description. A copy of the zone map is attached.

An extensive signing system will be utilized to reduce the number of vehicles using the freeway through the project. Signs will be placed on all four approaches to the I-235 interchanges with I-35/80 to discourage thru traffic from using I-235. Signing will also be used to discourage over width load traffic from using the freeway through the project. During most of the project the 8th Street West Des Moines/73rd Street Windsor Heights eastbound entrance ramp will be closed; signs will be provided-directing traffic to use 63rd Street or 56th Street as access routes to I-235. Traffic from a small area of West Des Moines will be directed to the 22nd Street entrance ramp. A copy of the closed ramp alternate route signing map is attached.

During most incidents an attempt, will be made to maintain or quickly restore at least one lane traffic flow past the incident. If traffic is blocked a diversion will be initiated at 22nd Street for EB traffic or 56th Street for WB traffic. Signs for the diversion will be in place and covered. Iowa D.O.T maintenance personnel will uncover the signs and place barricades and cones to establish the closure. Alternate route signing will be placed and covered by Iowa D.O.T. maintenance personnel and uncovered by the local police departments when needed. A copy of the diverted traffic alternate route signing map is attached.

If the closure is expected to last for an hour or more changeable message signs will be sent to the east I-35/80 junction or the west I-35/80 junction. Their messages will reinforce the fixed message signs which will be in place to discourage thru traffic from using I-235. Messages to be used are shown on an attached sheet.

Good communication is essential to expedient handling of capacity reducing freeway incidents. A list of those who might have a role in incident detection, response or clearance is attached.

INCIDENT ZONE MAP

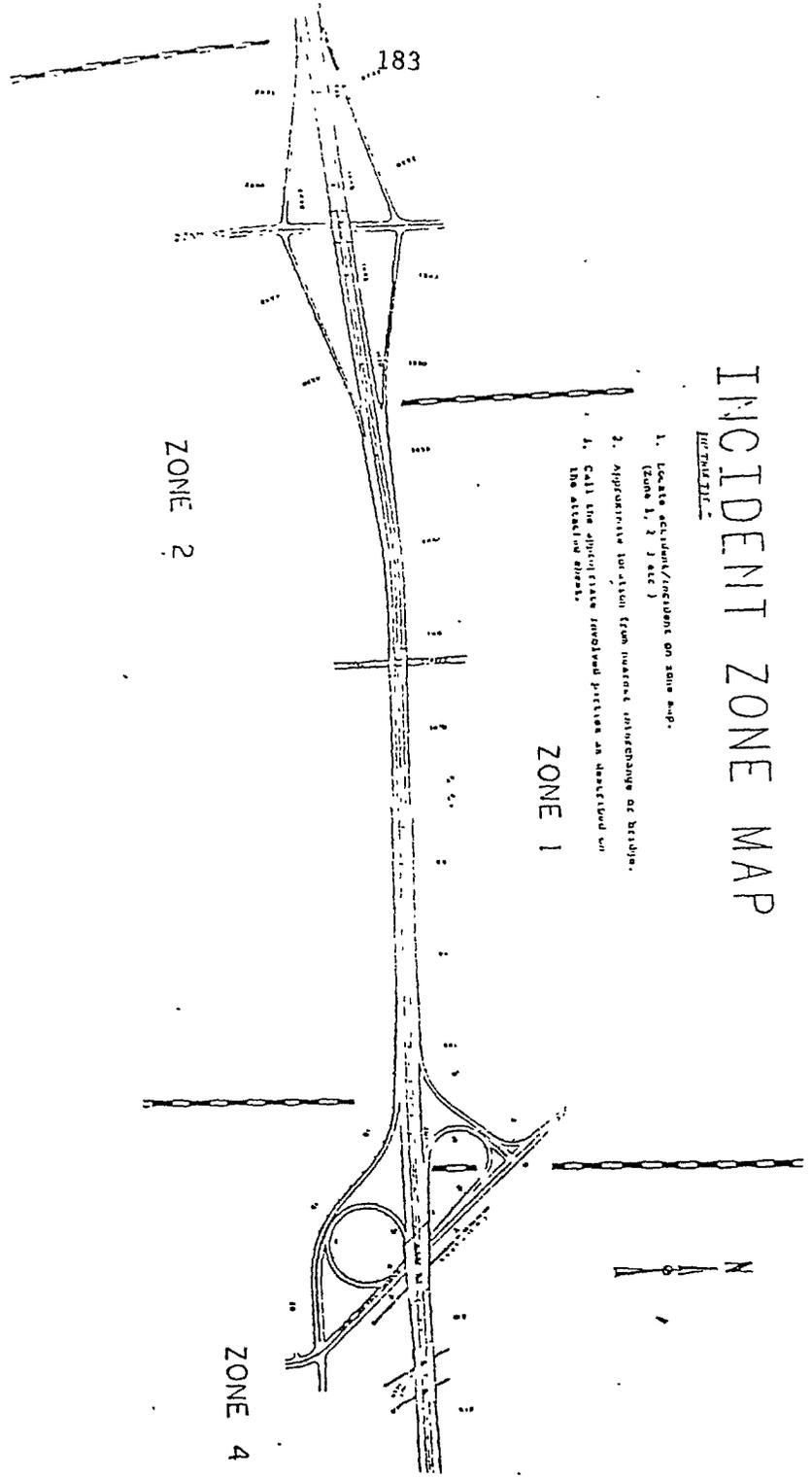
FIGURE 311

1. Locate accident/incident on same map.
(Scale 1/2" = 1 mile)
2. Appropriate for use from incident interchange at bridge.
3. Call the appropriate involved parties as described on the attached sheets.

ZONE 1

ZONE 2

ZONE 4



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Reporting of Accidents/Incidents

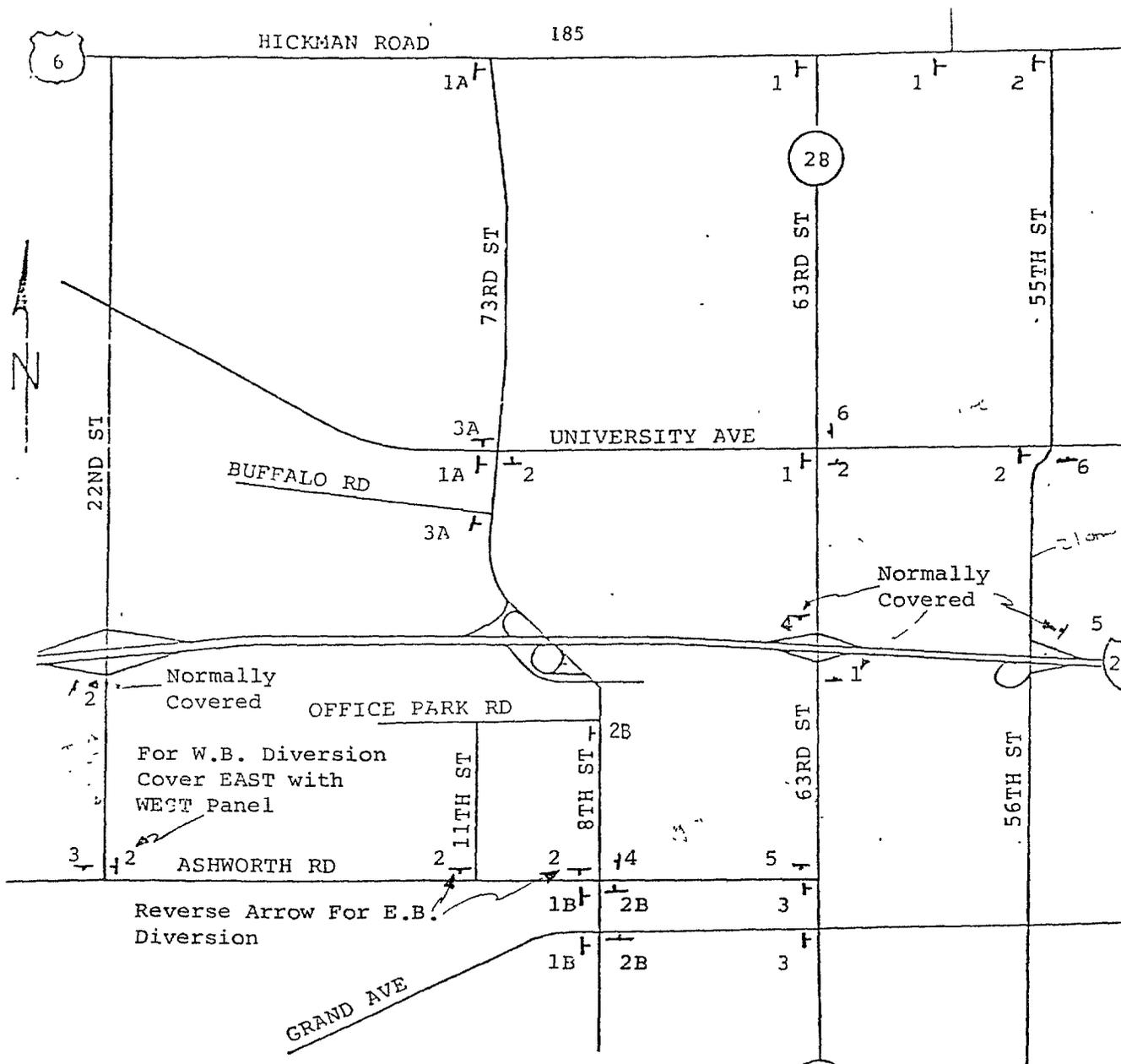
There will be a telephone located in the office trailer of Cramer Bras, under the 8th Street Bridge.

If hazardous chemicals are involved, call the following numbers in order

911	Police/Fire/Rescue
281-8694	Dept. of Water, Air and Waste Management (24 hours/day)
262-5692	Des Moines Residency (8 a-m. to 4:30 p.m.)
265-1614	Des Moines Residency (Maintenance) (24 hours/day)

Otherwise call

911	Police/Fire/Rescue
262-5692	Des Moines Residency
265-1614	Des Moines Residency (Maintenance) (24 hours/day)



Normally Covered

OFFICE PARK RD

For W.B. Diversion
Cover EAST with
WEST Panel

ASHWORTH RD

Reverse Arrow For E.B.
Diversion

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- 1 TO EAST
235
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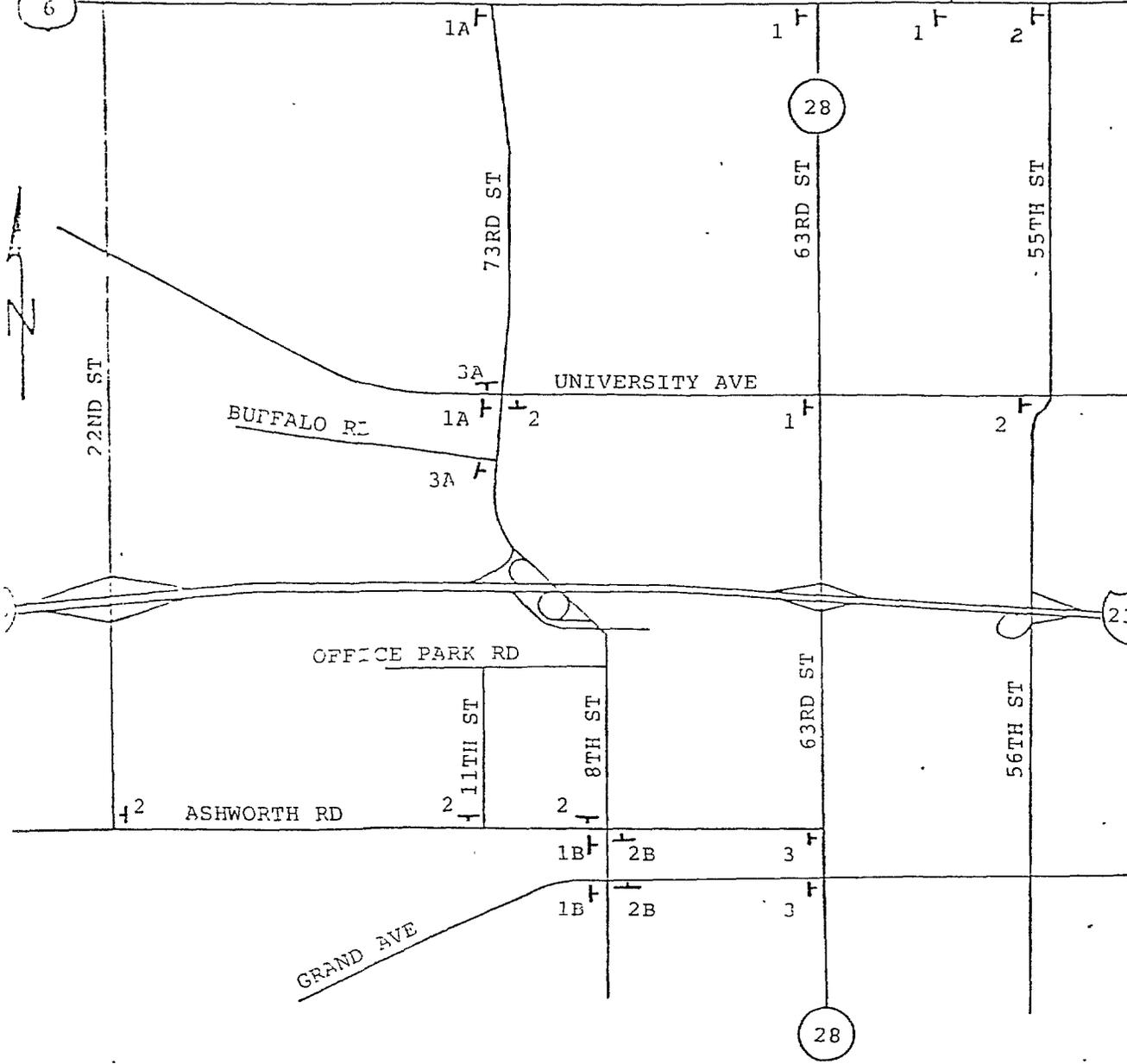
A I-235 EAST
RAMP CLOSED
AT 73RD ST

B I-235 EAST
RAMP CLOSED
AT 8TH ST

CLOSED RAMP
AND DIVERSION
ALTERNATE ROUTE
SIGNING MAP



HICKMAN ROAD



ALTERNATE ROUTE TRAILBLAZING
 EASTBOUND I-235 ENTRANCE RAMP CLOSURE
 8TH Street West Des Moines
 73rd Street Windsor Heights



HICKMAN ROAD

73RD ST



63RD ST

55TH ST



22ND ST

UNIVERSITY AVE

BUFFALO RD

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11TH ST

8TH ST

56TH ST

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ASHWORTH RD

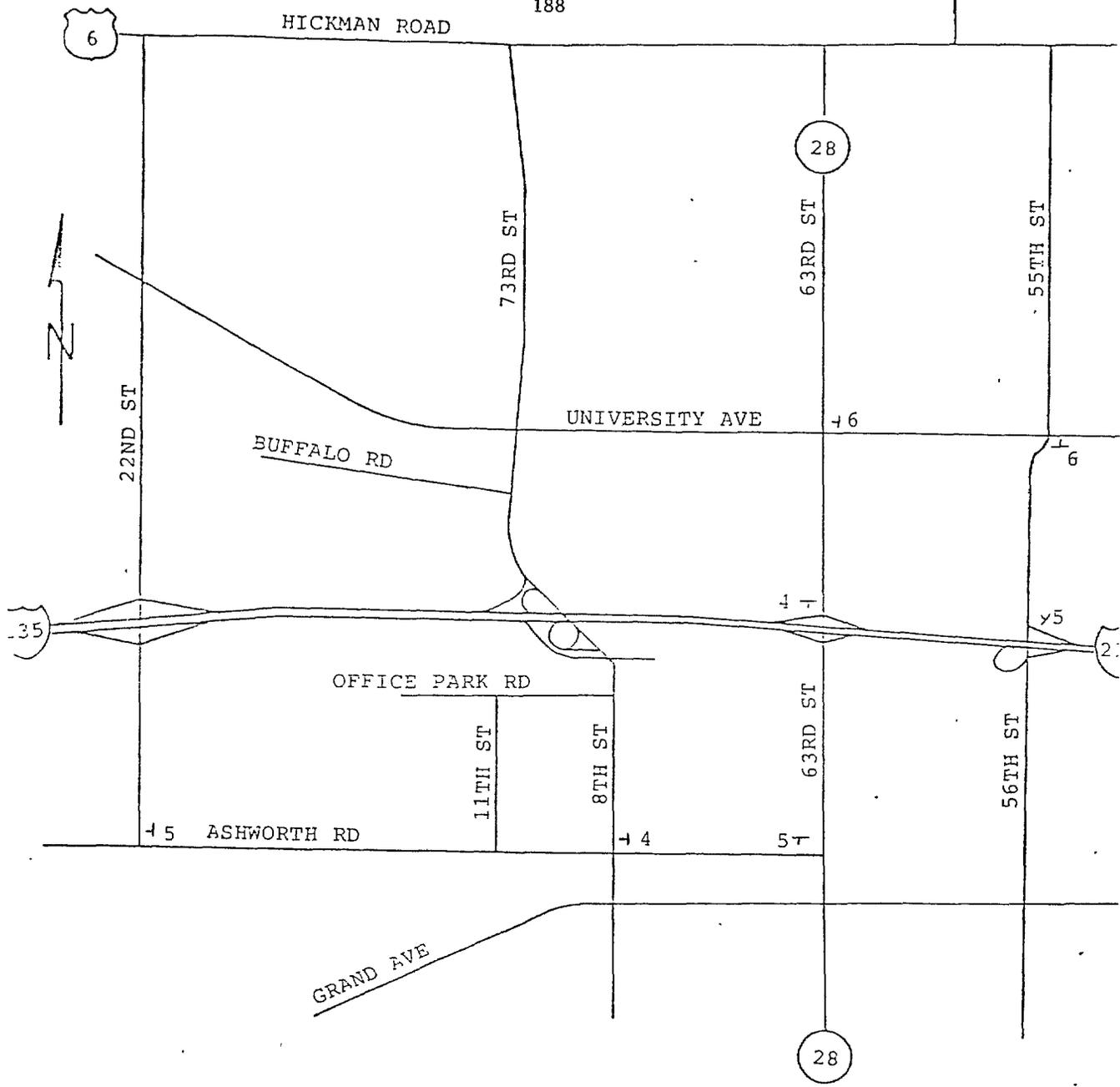
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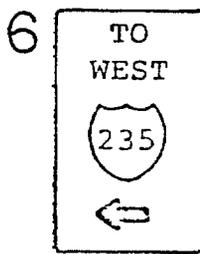
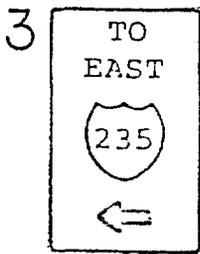
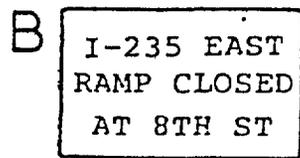
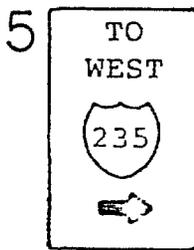
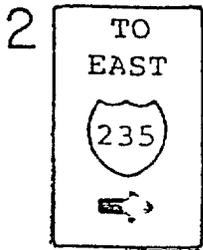
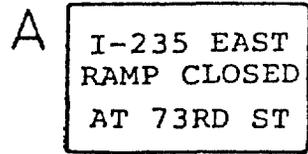
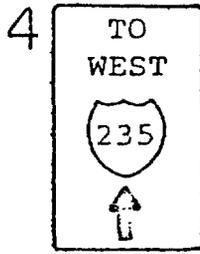
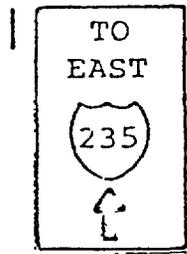
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EASTBOUND DIVERSION SIGNING MAP



WESTBOUND DIVERSION SIGNING MAP



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If traffic becomes blocked due to an accident or other incident on I-235, and the closure is expected to last for an hour or more, changeable message signs will be sent to the east or west I-35/I-80/I-235 interchange.

MESSAGES TO BE DISPLAYED

<u>West of West Jct.</u>	<u>South of West Jct.</u>	<u>East of East Jct.</u>	<u>North of East Jct.</u>
I-235 CLOSED	I-235 CLOSED	I-235 CLOSED	I-235 CLOSED
At 22nd STREET	At 22nd STREET	At 56th STREET	At 56th STREET
THRU TRAFFIC USE I-80	THRU TRAFFIC USE I-35	THRU TRAFFIC USE I-80	THRU TRAFFIC USE I-35