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## E-ZPASS TRANSPONDERS RECOMMENDED FOR MOTORCYCLES

Tolling is expected to begin late this year

**LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Sept. 9, 2016)** – Motorcyclists who have been waiting to open RiverLink accounts have a recommendation on which transponder to use.

It's recommended that motorcyclists use a RiverLink E-ZPass transponder, and purchase a transponder holder that works best for their motorcycle and needs. Several options can be found through third-party vendors with an online search.

The RiverLink E-ZPass transponder is \$15 per transponder. It's a one-time cost for the life of the transponder, with the battery expected to last at least seven years. The RiverLink E-ZPass transponder can be moved from vehicle to vehicle registered to a single account. It can also be used in all 16 E-ZPass states, primarily located in the Northeast corridor.



With a transponder, the toll for motorcycles is \$2 per crossing, the rate for passenger vehicles.

## **Opening an Account**

RiverLink is the new, all-electronic tolling system making the Louisville – Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project possible. There are no toll booths, no coin machines, no lines and no stopping. Initial toll rates range from \$2-\$12. The lowest toll rates are for drivers with transponders. Drivers must set up a prepaid account to get a transponder.

Drivers can open a personal account online at <a href="www.RiverLink.com">www.RiverLink.com</a>, by phone at 855-RIV-LINK or in person at one of two RiverLink customer service centers.

The customer service centers are located at 400 East Main Street in Louisville and 103 Quartermaster Court in Jeffersonville. The centers are open 7 a.m.-7 p.m. Monday – Friday. They are also open 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday during the first year of operations.

## **Start of Tolling**

Tolling will begin after cross-river capacity is added to the system. That means either the improved John F. Kennedy Memorial Bridge or the new East End bridge will be complete and fully open to traffic. Both are expected to happen late this year.

The new Abraham Lincoln Bridge, the improved Kennedy Bridge and the new East End bridge will be tolled. The Sherman Minton Bridge and the Clark Memorial Bridge will not be tolled. Find more information at <a href="https://www.riverlink.com">www.riverlink.com</a>.

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The Louisville – Southern Indiana Ohio River Bridges Project includes two new bridges and their approaches, an improved Kennedy Bridge and reconstruction of the Kennedy Interchange, where I-65, I-64 and I-71 come together in downtown Louisville. The new Abraham Lincoln Bridge will carry six lanes of I-65 northbound traffic. The improved Kennedy Bridge will carry six lanes of southbound traffic. The new East End bridge will connect the Gene Snyder Freeway in Prospect, Kentucky with State Road 265 (Lee Hamilton Highway) in Utica, Indiana. Find all of the latest traffic information and more details on the Ohio River Bridges Project at www.kyinbridges.com.

