

## News report

### **Venlo border facilities on A67 (NL) completely closed this Autumn due to renovation**

**The Dutch Department of Public Works and Water Management will completely renew the Venlo border facilities (parking lot) along the A67 – E34 motorway in the direction from Germany to the Netherlands. The work activities will take place in the period between September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009 and December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009. The site will be reconstructed in a safer and more convenient way. The area will be a lot more secure through better lighting and camera surveillance. Also, the area will be fitted with a new layer of asphalt. During the work activities, the facilities will be completely closed. A safe and attractive border facility is set to become the calling card for the Netherlands and Venlo as a logistical hotspot.**

In order to keep the construction and nuisance period as short as possible, the border area will be completely closed during the work activities. As a result, freight traffic and other traffic will not be able to use the area and will have to park in different locations. The border area will also be closed for the sales of Euro vignettes (motorway permits) and for the clearance of goods. The plan development for the border facilities has taken place in close cooperation with the municipal authorities of Venlo and the provincial authorities of Limburg, and is set up in consultation with the logistics trade unions EVO, *Transport en Logistiek Nederland* (TLN), *Les Routiers Européens*, but also the Dutch national police force KLPD, the Dutch military police *Marechaussee* and the German partners.

The closure will cause hindrance to the freight traffic. Transport companies can deal with the closure by avoiding the border area in their route planning.

### **Alternative**

During the last few months, the government authorities involved have performed extensive research into alternative parking locations in the close vicinity of the facilities that are going to be renovated. This temporary location is to offer room for about 100 parking spots. Research into alternatives is currently still ongoing. In the event that, despite all efforts, no alternative is found, the reconstruction is nevertheless going to take place. It is the opinion of the authorities involved that any further delay is undesirable. In any case, additional traffic measures will be imposed, as well as the instrument of enforcement. Extensive communication will be used, in order to enable road users to prepare. More information will follow this early summer.

### **Dates of closure for the Venlo border area**

***From Tuesday, September 1<sup>st</sup> until Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009.***

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### **Information**

More information will follow end of June. In week 24, work activities are announced to the users of the border facilities and their surroundings through posters and flyers. You can find information about the work activities and the closure of the facilities on [www.rijkswaterstaat/A67](http://www.rijkswaterstaat/A67). For questions, please call the national information line of the Dutch Department of Public Works and Water

**Management on 0800-8002 (free of charge).**

