

**TALLADEGA SPEEDWAY TRANSFORMATION: UPDATE**

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The \$50 million-dollar transformation at Talladega Superspeedway is underway. They started on October 23 first breaking up of the section of the track to construct the large tunnel under the racing surface and is progressing as scheduled. The tunnel will allow two-way traffic of large motor homes and race car haulers 24 hours a day during race week.

In the past they had to stage outside of the track when any activity on the track was going on like track maintenance, practice or racing. Then two barrier gates opened and two steel transition plates laid on the track to prevent the dragging of vehicles marring the racing surface. This all took a tremendous amount of time. With the new tunnel a large area of staging area will be freed up to use for more close parking and a lot of happy campers and race teams.

To build the new tunnel a massive amount of track and dirt was removed as seen in these photos.

The deepest part of the construction hole was close to 60 feet deep to accommodate drainage and pump system. The driving surface is 3 feet thick poured concrete with grates into the drainage system. The tunnel length is projected to be 208 feet long, 28 feet wide, and a clearance of 16 feet 8 inches. It is an impressive improvement to one of the best track in the Nascar circuit. Opening is scheduled in time for the spring race, which will be the weekend of April 26-28.

This is only a part of the transformation. The next part is the new one of a kind Garage Fan Zone Experience in the infield area. New, modern 35,000-square-foot Open Air Club (covered) with a 41-foot video board, 740-square-foot bar and views into the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Garage. This will feature up-close access, interactive attractions and enhanced amenities for fans, race teams and all that enjoy their visit to Talladega. This portion is expected to be completed by the fall race in October.

The most popular race track in Nascar has made a commitment to be "the BEST".

THIS IS TALLADEGA.

**Tunnel Tid-bits**

WHEN WILL THE NEW AMENITIES AND AREAS BECOME AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE? HOW MUCH WILL THEY COST?

The projected completion of the entire project is set for October 2019. Price points for all new areas are being determined.

Some new infield camping will be available for Spring 2019. Learn more about the new Finish Line Premium RV campground located near the start-finish line/Turn 1! This ground comes with full hook-ups, pre-race access and more!

To learn more, please call our Main Ticket Office at 855.518.RACE (7223) or e-mail [tss-ticketoffice@talladegasuperspeedway.com](mailto:tss-ticketoffice@talladegasuperspeedway.com).



January 2019 progress on the new tunnel at Talladega



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