

The next photograph is taken from there. Remember, this is a collector-distributor road on the right. The two left lanes go through. The right lane or slower lane becomes the collector-distributor road. Here is a motorist from out of State [indicating]. This picture was taken last Friday morning. He did not know that this right lane ran off in here. He did not know that he could continue on in that lane and come back out on the beltway further down the road.

Fortunately for him, traffic was not heavy, and he was able to go from this right lane, crossing this lane of traffic and crossing the white-striped lanes, as you see, and continue into the slow lane of traffic, to continue on I-495.

If he had known, he could have continued on through and come out on the other side. There are a number of things to note here.

First of all, there are a lot of skidmarks, some of which are well worn and did not come up in the photograph; but this one did and this one did, and here are some more off in here, and beyond that you can see others.

They may be part of this one; but these skid marks indicated to me that there probably are a high number of happenings such as this.

In other words, people who are not sure where they are going, but suddenly realize they want to be in the left lane; this is actually what I would call an "accident," because the motorist did not do what he wanted to do. He wanted to be over on the left. It was not reported as an accident, because nobody was struck, and he did not hit another car.

So, to be technical about it, you can say it was not an accident. But he did not do what he should have done, or what is done in the ordinary course of driving.

The curb just beyond the white lines is a ramp-type curb, that white patch is what they call a rumble-strip. I will show you a closeup of the rumble strip up where the truck is.

