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All Lanes of Interstate 71 Southbound Open

DELAWARE - Interstate 71 southbound was fully opened to traffic at approximately 1:20 p.m. this afternoon. Crews have now cleared all remaining vehicles that were blocking the roadway from a series of crashes that occurred yesterday afternoon on I-71, just south of SR 61.

Interstate 71 southbound was closed for approximately seven hours following these crashes. I-71 northbound remained open for the duration of the afternoon and evening.

The Ohio State Highway Patrol continues to investigate these crashes, which are estimated to involve more than 50 vehicles. Minor injuries have been reported, with one person transported to a local hospital. There are no fatalities as a result of these crashes.

Up-to-the-minute road conditions are always available by logging onto the ODOT's Web site, www.buckeyetraffic.org. ODOT also reminds motorists: Ice and Snow...Take It Slow.

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