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State Road 9B – all lanes are open

Jacksonville –The southbound lanes on the new State Road 9B from Philips Highway (U.S. 1) to the I-295 East Beltway opened at 2:20 this morning, joining the northbound lanes which opened Thursday. The southbound lanes were opened following nighttime lane closures to repaint the traffic lines at the I-295 transition.

Thursday, State Senator Audrey Gibson, whose district the State Road 9B corridor falls in, cut the ribbon at 10 a.m. to celebrate the opening of the new highway. Senator Gibson was one of the speakers at the groundbreaking in July 2010.

Opening initially as a four-lane limited access highway, similar to an interstate, this section of State Road 9B has the ability to expand to six lanes in the future with minimal disruption to the public. The \$75 million roadway will help alleviate traffic congestion for motorists traveling between Duval and St. Johns counties.

Work continues on the second segment of State Road 9B from Philips Highway to I-95. The \$95 million project is scheduled to open in summer 2016.

If you have questions regarding this project, please visit www.SR9B.com or contact Laurie Sanderson at 1-800-475-0044 or at Laurie.Sanderson@AtkinsGlobal.com. Follow FDOT on Twitter @MyFDOT_NEFL for the latest updates.

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