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I-95 Overland Bridge project opens two NB downtown lanes

Jacksonville – Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announces the second exit lane to downtown from Interstate 95 northbound is now open, as part of the I-95 Overland Bridge replacement project.

A traffic shift was implemented October 21 directing I-95 northbound traffic onto the newly constructed lanes.

As part of the shift, decision points were moved back just near the Emerson Boulevard overpass for motorists to decide whether to be in the left lanes for I-95 northbound or take the right lane for downtown exits.

Construction crews were able to open only one of the two lanes to downtown from I-95 during the switch since additional work, including striping, was required in the second lane.

FDOT understands the traffic challenges experienced by those traveling to downtown, particularly during peak traffic times, and coordinated with the project construction team to determine opportunities to open the second exit lane.

Construction crews adjusted work areas to facilitate the two downtown lanes to be open at this time.

Additional lanes and ramps will be opened as respective phases are completed. We appreciate the patience and safe driving by our motorists as crews work diligently to have the entire project completed by early 2018, weather permitting.

Up-to-date lane closure information is posted to the I-95 Overland Bridge Replacement Project website at <u>http://www.i95overlandbridge.com</u>. A project hotline is available to assist the public with questions and concerns: 904-491-2110 or email info@overlandbridge95.com.

FDOT strives for safe construction zones. Motorists should stay alert and follow the 45 mph posted speed limit through the construction zone, and are encouraged to watch for additional signs.

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