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Detour Planned Tonight as Work Continues on First Coast Expressway Extension

Duval County – An overnight detour taking place tonight will impact motorists traveling on Jacksonville’s west side. This detour is needed to allow for bridge work to be done on the First Coast Expressway (FCE) Extension project (the northernmost segment that connects State Road 23 to I-10 and U.S. 90/Beaver Street).

U.S. 90 (Beaver Street) will be closed in the area of this project from 6:30 p.m. until 5 a.m. Drivers on U.S. 90 traveling from the west will be detoured onto Otis Road, then Old Plank Road, then to Halsema Road to reconnect to U.S. 90. The detour for drivers from the east will be Halsema Road to Old Plank Road to Otis Road (the reverse). This detour allows for continuous east-west travel in the area (see map).

Construction began in July 2015 on this \$45 million extension of the First Coast Expressway aimed at reducing congestion in the existing interchanges of I-10 at Chaffee Road and at U.S. 301. Completion of the extension is scheduled for early 2018, weather permitting. FDOT hired J.B. Coxwell Contracting Inc., of Jacksonville to do the work. The project is part of the overall First Coast Expressway – a toll road being built to connect I-10 with I-95 in St. Johns County. The FCE from U.S. 90/I-10 to New World Avenue in Duval County will not be tolled.

For more information regarding construction projects, please visit www.nflroads.com or contact FDOT personnel at 904-831-FDOT. Up-to-date lane closure information related to this project is available at www.firstcoastexpressway.com. The Florida Department of Transportation strives for safe construction zones. Travelers should always follow the speed limit, be aware of heavy equipment and stay within the limits of the orange cones and barrels.

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