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Double Lane Closures this weekend for Buckman Bridge Construction

Roosevelt Blvd (U.S. 17) ramps to southbound I-295 will be detoured for some activities

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – Drivers on southbound I-295 at the Buckman Bridge will see double lane closures this weekend to allow crews to shift traffic and perform restriping activities as they move into a new phase of construction on the Buckman Bridge signals project.

These double lane closures are scheduled to begin Friday, March 26 at 10 p.m. through Monday, March 29 at 5 a.m., weather and unforeseen circumstances permitting.

During that time, the Roosevelt Boulevard ramps to southbound I-295 will be detoured to northbound I-295, where drivers can return to southbound I-295 via Blanding Boulevard.

Drivers are encouraged to use caution and plan ahead when traveling through the construction zone.

Construction along the I-295 West Beltway at the Buckman Bridge is taking place to improve safety along the corridor. This work includes a safety initiative to communicate whether lanes are free-flowing, slowed or blocked on the bridge (see artist depiction below). Programmable overhead electronic boards and additional CCTV cameras will be installed at several locations on both directions of the bridge to guide lane use, improve traffic flow and enhance safety. Additional signage is also being placed on the bridge to better inform drivers.

The \$10.5 million project is expected to be completed by the end of 2021, weather and unforeseen circumstances permitting.

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Artist depiction of new signage.

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