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## FDOT Announces Congestion Relief for I-295 Managed Lanes

I-295 Managed Lanes scheduled to open April 9 with limited access for southbound I-295 Managed Lanes Users

**JACKSONVILLE, Fla.** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) plans to open the much-needed I-295 Managed Lanes from State Road 9B to J. Turner Butler Boulevard (State Road 202) April 9.

The southbound I-295 Managed Lanes will open in a limited configuration. Southbound I-295 motorists choosing the Managed Lanes will only be able to exit onto southbound State Road 9B. The connection to southbound I-295 mainline will open at the conclusion of additional construction.

Motorists traveling north on I-295 or State Road 9B will have full access to the Managed Lanes. Motorists choosing the northbound I-295 lanes will enter on State Road 9B or I-295 and will have direct access to both directions of JTB or realign with the mainline of I-295 just north of JTB near UNF Drive.

"We know Florida drivers need safe and reliable transportation options," said **FDOT District Two Secretary Greg Evans**. "With the addition of the Managed Lanes, motorists will have additional choices, see decreased congestion and improved safety along the corridor."

The lanes feature limited entrances and exit locations, allowing users the ability to bypass local traffic entering and exiting the roadway. The lanes will operate in "time of day" tolling, which means tolls will only be charged during peak travel times. Peak travel times along this corridor of I-295 are from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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