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Heckscher Drive's Simpson Creek Bridge Reconstruction to be Completed Soon

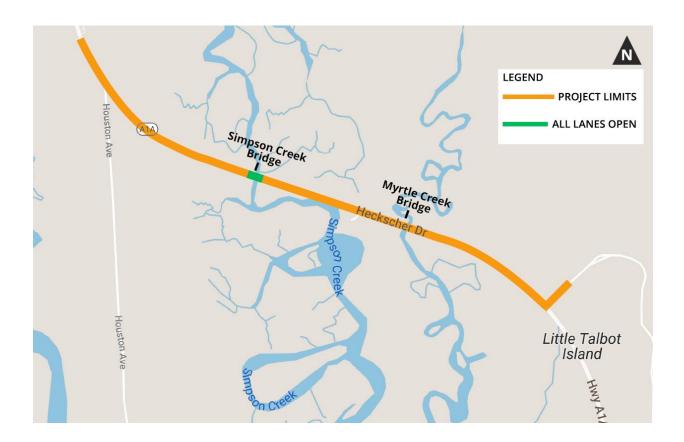
Two-way traffic resumes over the bridge next week

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. – Reconstruction of the Simpson Creek Bridge on Heckscher Drive (State Road A1A) is nearing completion, and both lanes of traffic are scheduled to be open next week. Two-way traffic will resume over the bridge and through the construction zone on Tuesday, March 7. To complete the remaining portions of the project, drivers may experience daily lane closures utilizing a flagging operation, which will temporarily place traffic back into a two-way, one-lane configuration during the work shift.

The replacement of the Simpson Creek and Myrtle Creek bridges is part of the Timucuan Trail project currently under construction on the east side of Heckscher Drive. The new bridges provide two 12-foot travel lanes, two 10-foot shoulders and the 10-foot wide Timucuan Trail. The reconstruction of the Myrtle Creek Bridge, south of Simpson Creek, was completed in November 2021.

The Timucuan Trail is a shared-use bike and walking path that will connect to the existing trail at the Little Talbot Island State Park entrance and extend to the Big Talbot Island State Park Big Pine Trailhead north of Houston Avenue. The Timucuan Trail is expected to open in early June, weather and unforeseen circumstances permitting.

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