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I-295 East Beltway, JTB to see Multiple Overnight Detours Beginning Sunday

Jacksonville, Fla. – Drivers on the I-295 East Beltway will see multiple detours next week as crews set bridge beams for bridge widening, weather and unforeseen circumstances permitting.

Sunday, August 30 through Tuesday, September 1, the ramp from Gate Parkway to eastbound SR 202 (J. Turner Butler Boulevard) will be closed nightly from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Drivers will be detoured to Southside Boulevard and U-turn to return to eastbound SR 202.

Tuesday, September 1 and Wednesday September 2, from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., drivers on Baymeadows Road will be detoured at I-295. Drivers seeking to travel under I-295 on Baymeadows Road will be detoured on I-295 and make a U-turn at the next available exit. Signs will direct traffic through the detour.

Thursday, September 3 from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., drivers on Gate Parkway will be detoured at I-295. Drivers seeking to travel under I-295 on Gate Parkway will be detoured on I-295 and make a U-turn at the next available exit. Signs will direct traffic through the detour.

The express lanes project extends from State Road 9B to just north of J. Turner Butler Boulevard and consists of two new express lanes and three 12-foot general use travel lanes in each direction, construction of noise walls along I-295 in various locations, the construction of drainage ponds and the installation of electronic tolling systems at various locations. Once complete, drivers will be offered a choice to use the two express lanes in each direction for a fee or remain on the non-tolled portion of I-295.

The \$178 million project was awarded to the Archer-Western Contractors design-build team and is expected to be completed in mid-2021, weather and schedule permitting.

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