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## **Westbound lane shift in Yulee planned for 9/23 From I-95 to Still Quarters Road on A1A/SR 200 in Nassau County**

**Yulee** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) plans to shift westbound traffic onto the newly constructed temporary westbound pavement on A1A/State Road 200 from Still Quarters Road to west of Interstate 95 Saturday, September 23, depending on weather. Eastbound traffic will remain in its present configuration for about another two weeks when crews will plan to make another shift for eastbound traffic to move into the former westbound lanes (see map attached). These lane shifts will allow the contractor to construct the new eastbound lanes.

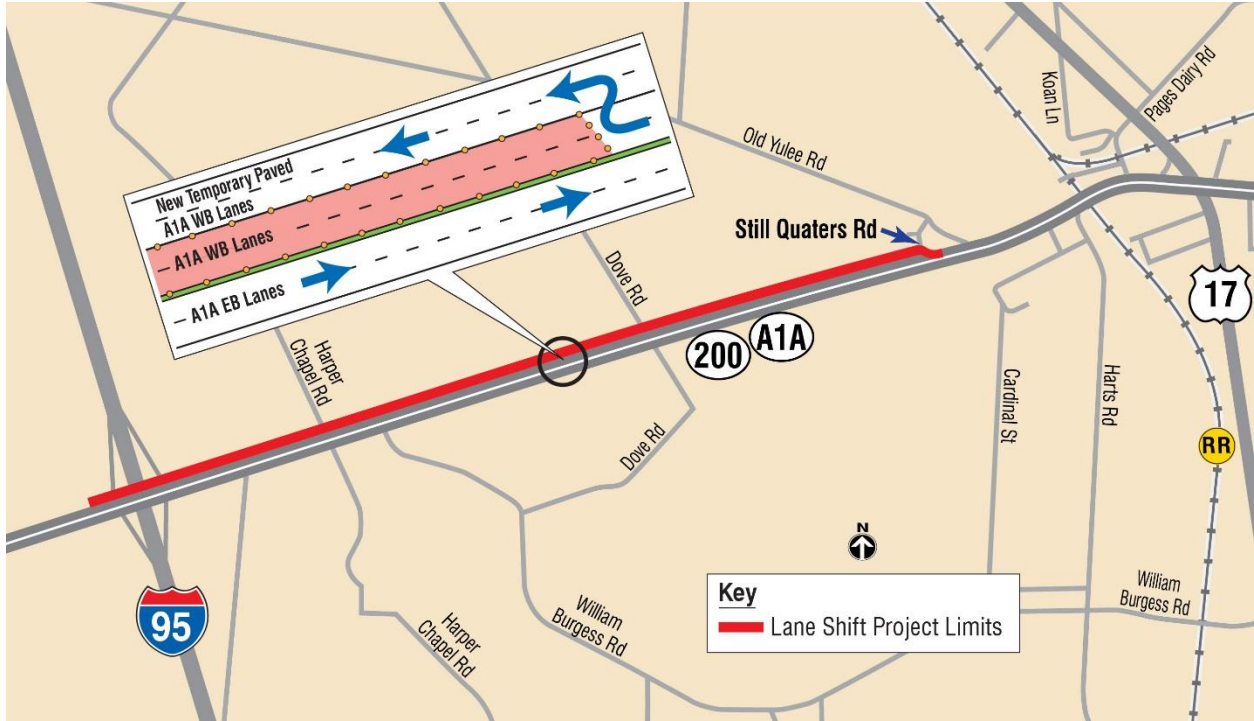
This project in Yulee consists of reconstruction and widening of 2.2 miles of A1A from west of I-95 to west of Still Quarters Road, widening of ramps at Interstate 95/A1A exit 373 (to Yulee/Callahan/Amelia Island/Fernandina Beach), and the reconfiguration of the interchange under Interstate 95 into the region's first \*diverging diamond interchange (DDI).

The widening project increases the roadway from four lanes to six lanes and includes raised medians, bicycle lanes, curbs and gutters, sidewalks and high mast lighting.

The project costs approximately \$40 million and is expected to be completed by summer 2020 depending on weather and unforeseen delays.

J.B. Coxwell Contracting, Inc. of Jacksonville has been hired to complete the work for FDOT.

**\*A diverging diamond interchange (DDI)** is a type of interchange where the two directions of traffic below I-95 briefly drive on the opposite side of the road. This will be a significant improvement in safety, since long left turns crossing traffic lanes to enter or exit the Interstate will be eliminated. Additionally, the DDI promotes added efficiency with only two clearance intervals (the time for traffic signals to change from green to yellow to red) instead of the six or more found in other interchange designs. For more information about the DDI and to watch a video of how it will work for this project, visit: [www.nflroads.com/DDI](http://www.nflroads.com/DDI)



Roadway map shows the planned westbound lane shift to the newly constructed temporary westbound pavement along A1A (SR 200) from Still Quaters Road to west of Interstate 95, weather permitting.