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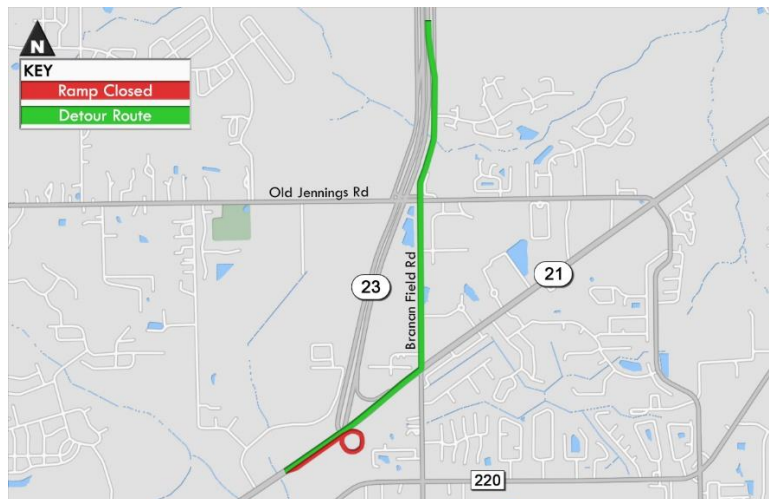
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### Ramp from Northbound Blanding Boulevard to Northbound First Coast Expressway to Close Temporarily for Traffic Shift

**MIDDLEBURG, Fla.** – As part of the First Coast Expressway project, the ramp from northbound Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) to northbound First Coast Expressway (State Road 23) will close from 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 19 to 6 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 20 and from 11 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 22 to 5 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 23. Traffic will be detoured via Branan Field Road as shown in the map below.

During the closures, crews will implement a traffic shift in which the northbound lanes of Blanding Boulevard will be reduced in width from 12 feet to 10 feet and shifted toward the median and the existing on-ramp from Blanding Boulevard north to First Coast Expressway north will be shifted to the east. This is the first in a series of traffic shifts to allow for construction of the ramps for the next segment of the First Coast Expressway.



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