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FDOT to Detour Palmetto Street in Middleburg for Blanding Boulevard Widening Project

MIDDLEBURG, Fla. – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will temporarily detour traffic on Palmetto Street at Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) beginning Thursday, October 13 at 7 a.m.

Lanes of Palmetto Street will be detoured while crews work on intersection widening activities as part of the Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) Widening Project from County Road 218 to Black Creek. Westbound traffic on Palmetto Street will be detoured to Section Street to access Blanding Boulevard.

This detour is in addition to scheduled periodic lane closures between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. on northbound lanes of Blanding Boulevard between County Road and Parsonage Street.

Once completed, this project will add two lanes of capacity to the 4-lane section of Blanding Boulevard between County Road 218 and Black Creek and provide more efficient east-west movements at the intersection of Blanding Boulevard and County Road 218. The County Road 218 bridge over Black Creek will be replaced to provide a wider bridge in order to accommodate the improvements within the project corridor.

October is National Pedestrian Safety Month, and all roadway users share the responsibility for keeping everyone safe. Pedestrians should always use designated crosswalks and avoid distractions like using cell phones while walking. Motorists must yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and watch for pedestrians at all times. Together, we can reach the goal of ZERO pedestrian fatalities on Florida's roads.

Drivers seeking real-time traffic alerts are encouraged to visit www.FL511.com or download the FL511 app prior to their journey.

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