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## Gate Parkway at Butler Boulevard Interchange, including ramps, to see increased paving construction and Overnight Detour Sunday

Jacksonville, Fla. – The interchange construction work at the intersection of JTB and Gate Parkway will begin its next phase on Sunday night as paving crews begin to pave the widening and mill and resurface the Gate Parkway mainline. This will result in numerous overnight lane closures between 8:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. as the interchange asphalt is upgraded.

Starting Sunday, May 17, the eastbound ramp to J. Turner Butler Boulevard (S.R. 202) from Gate Parkway will be detoured from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Additionally, the westbound J. Turner Butler Boulevard ramp to Gate Parkway will be detoured from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. beginning Sunday, May 17. The detours are necessary for paving operations for ramp improvements as part of the I-295 East Beltway Express Lanes Project.

Drivers traveling in either direction on Gate Parkway seeking to access eastbound J. Turner Butler Boulevard will be detoured to westbound J. Turner Butler Boulevard and take the Southside Boulevard (S.R. 115) exit. Drivers will take the return ramp to eastbound J. Turner Butler Boulevard and continue to their destination.

Drivers traveling west on J. Turner Butler Boulevard seeking to access Gate Parkway will be detoured to the Southside Boulevard exit. Drivers will take the return ramp to eastbound J. Turner Butler Boulevard and take the Gate Parkway exit and continue to their destination.

The express lanes project extends from State Road 9B to just north of J. Turner Butler Boulevard and consists of three new 12-foot 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 \$169.9 million project was awarded to the Archer-Western Contractors design-build team and is expected to be completed in spring 2021, weather and schedule permitting.

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