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## **Hart Bridge will see closure next three weekends**

**Jacksonville** – Jacksonville’s Hart Bridge will see closures the next three weekends beginning Friday, September 22 at 7 p.m. until Sunday, September 24 at 6 a.m., again on Friday, September 29 at 7 p.m. until Sunday, October 1 at 6 a.m. and another closure from Friday, October 6 at 7 p.m. until Sunday, October 8 at 6 a.m. The closures are necessary for bridge repairs and improvements.

Traffic attempting to travel westbound will be detoured to Atlantic Boulevard and signs will direct motorists to the Acosta Bridge then to Broad Street. Motorists attempting to take the Hart Bridge eastbound will be detoured to Jefferson Street and signs will direct traffic to the Acosta Bridge and Atlantic Boulevard.

The improvements to the Hart Bridge include the replacement of wire rope, coating of structural steel, drainage work and steel plate rehabilitation.

Abhe & Svoboda, Inc. was awarded the \$4.3 million project. Construction is expected to be completed in the fall of 2017, weather and schedule permitting.

The Hart Bridge was opened in 1967 to relieve traffic on the Main Street and Mathews bridges. The bridge is 3,844 feet long and spans 141 feet above the St. Johns River. Approximately 51,500 vehicles travel the bridge daily.



Hart Bridge, Jacksonville, Florida