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### **I-295 East Beltway to see increased activity, overnight detours next week**

**Jacksonville, Fla.** – Drivers on the I-295 East Beltway can expect to see increased construction activity next week due. Increased activities include two scheduled detours on Monday and Tuesday night for the delivery of buildings to house toll equipment.

Northbound I-295 between Baymeadows Road and Philips Highway will be detoured overnight Monday, April 6 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., weather and schedule permitting. Drivers will be detoured at Philips Highway (U.S. 1), proceed north to Southside Boulevard and take eastbound Baymeadows Road to continue to their destination. State Road 9B motorists will not be impacted by the detour Monday night.

Northbound State Road 9B drivers will be detoured overnight Tuesday, April 7 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., weather and schedule permitting. Motorists will be detoured at Philips Highway (U.S. 1) and proceed north to I-295 where they will continue to their destination. Southbound 9B traffic will not be impacted.

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 late 2020, weather and schedule permitting.

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