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**Palm Beach County Traffic Report  
January 22 through January 29, 2010**

**Palm Beach County** – Palm Beach County traffic will be affected this week by ongoing construction projects and maintenance work, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) officials report. **Weather permitting;** closures will be in effect on I-95 and in other areas throughout Palm Beach County for construction activities.

For around-the-clock, real-time, I-95 traffic information, call 511. To view real-time video of I-95 in Palm Beach County, visit the Florida Department of Transportation's Palm Beach SMART SunGuide Transportation Management Center (TMC) website at [www.smartsunguide.com](http://www.smartsunguide.com). FDOT and the SunGuide™ Partners provide these free services. For updated lane closure information, please refer to [www.pbfdot.com](http://www.pbfdot.com).

**I-95 Corridor Projects:**

**I-95 HOV Expansion, North of Southern Boulevard / S.R. 80 to North of Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard**

The last of eight I-95 Mobility 2000 projects managed by the Construction, Engineering and Inspection (CEI) firm, The Corradino Group, begins just north of Southern Boulevard (S.R.80) and extends north 4.2 miles to just north of Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard. The **\$76.2 million** project, which began **January 3, 2005**, calls for widening I-95 from six lanes to ten lanes (including HOV lanes); replacing the existing bridge at Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard; replacing Australian Avenue and Congress Avenue existing bridges over I-95, and modification of the mainline ramps. This project also includes drainage improvements, retaining walls, signing and pavement markings, lighting, sound wall, irrigation and communications elements. The work was performed by Hubbard Construction Company and was completed **January 16, 2010**.

**Restrictions:** All lanes are open. This project received "Final Acceptance" from the FDOT on January 16, 2010.

**I-95 HOV Expansion, from Donald Ross Road (exit 83) north to S.R. 706/ Indiantown Road (exit 87A/B)**

The **\$43.5 million, 4.5-mile** construction project will expand the existing six-lane interstate to 10 lanes, which includes one general-purpose lane and one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction and additional auxiliary lanes. The project includes widening of the existing bridges over Donald Ross Road and the C-18 Canal; ramp improvements; sound barrier and retaining wall construction; signalization enhancements; new signing, pavement markings, lighting; and landscaping, including irrigation. The work began **August 21, 2008** is being performed by **Posen Construction**. Construction is expected to be **completed spring 2012**.

**Restrictions:** There will be alternating closures to the inside travel lanes on northbound and southbound I-95, north of Donald Ross Road, Sunday, January 24, through Thursday, January 28, for median widening. The

contractor will close one lane at 9 p.m. and close a second lane at 11 p.m. All lanes will reopen by 6 a.m. each morning.

Motorists should be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the roadway by all Donald Ross Road entrance and exit ramps and the median area just north of Donald Ross Road. One inside left turn lane, of two lanes, from westbound Donald Ross Road onto southbound I-95 is closed. One westbound through lane on Donald Ross Road, in the vicinity of the I-95 overpass, will be closed until approximately late summer 2010, for overpass widening, one westbound through lane will remain open. The inside eastbound lane of Donald Ross Road under the I-95 overpass is also closed. The advisory speed limit is posted at 25 mph on all the Donald Ross Road entrance and exit ramps. Please use caution.

#### **I-95 HOV Expansion, from south of PGA Boulevard (exit 79A/B) north to Donald Ross Road (exit 83)**

The **\$44 million, 4.3-mile** construction project will expand the existing six-lane interstate to 10 lanes, which includes one general-purpose lane and one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction and additional auxiliary lanes. The project includes mainline ramp reconstruction and the widening of the existing bridges over PGA Boulevard and Military Trail (exit 79C). Additional enhancements include improved drainage; sound barrier and retaining wall construction; new signing, pavement markings, lighting, and landscaping. Construction **began August 20, 2008** and is being performed by **Community Asphalt Corporation**. This project is expected to be **completed winter 2011**.

**Restrictions:** All lanes are open. There is a stop sign at the northbound I-95 exit ramp onto westbound PGA Boulevard. This lane no longer merges. Advance warning signs are in place on the ramp to alert motorists.

#### **I-95 Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Deployment Project (Broward/Palm Beach County Line to Martin/Palm Beach County Line)**

This **\$24.5 million, 38.6-mile** Design/Build ITS Deployment project **began in October 2008**. This project will establish a permanent Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) network along I-95 through Palm Beach County and includes: installing Dynamic Message Signs on I-95 and on crossroads with entrance and exit ramps to/from I-95; and installing Highway Advisory Radio and other ITS-related equipment. The project is being done in two phases. **Phase A is underway between** the Broward-Palm Beach County line and PGA Boulevard. This phase is expected to be **completed by January 2011**. **Phase B**, from PGA Boulevard to the Palm Beach-Martin County Line, will start when Phase A is completed. The project is expected to be **completed late 2012**. Work is being performed by **Transcore ITS**.

**Restrictions:** All lanes on I-95 are open. Work is taking place off of the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Friday. Shoulders may be closed in the work zone. Motorists should watch for construction traffic entering and exiting the interstate.

#### **I-95 Northbound Exit Ramp at NW 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

This project began **Monday, October 26, 2009**. Work includes modifying the northbound exit ramp from I-95 to NW 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the City of Lake Worth. Workers will eliminate a free-flow right turn lane and create a signalized intersection for improved pedestrian safety. Work is being performed by **Weekly Asphalt**. The project is expected to be completed in late **January, 2010**.

**Restrictions:** One left turn lane is closed on the northbound and southbound exit ramps from I-95 to 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue North. Motorists might experience delays when exiting.

#### **Southern Palm Beach County Projects:**

#### **S.R. 7 / U.S. 441 from the Broward County Line to Glades Road**

Construction on this **2.9-mile project** began **February 9, 2009**. Work consists of milling and resurfacing, curb ramp replacement, guardrail, and signalization. The project will cost an estimated \$4.7 million. The work is being performed by **Hardrives of Delray, Inc.** and is expected to be completed **early 2010**.

**Restrictions:** Intermittent lane closures will occur, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday for project-related work. Motorists might experience delays.

#### **Powerline Road / S.R. 845 from the Broward County Line to Glades Road**

Construction on this **3-mile project** began **Tuesday, May 26, 2009**. Work consists of milling and resurfacing, minor widening and reconstruction, signalization, lighting, drainage, bridge replacement, irrigation and landscaping. The project will cost an estimated \$9.7 million. The work is being performed by **Ranger Construction Industries** and is expected to be completed **summer 2011**.

**Restrictions:** Lane closures will occur at various locations between Glades Road and the Broward-Palm Beach County line, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. The contractor will install temporary barrier wall and establish continuous lane closures at various locations, as necessary, for drainage work. At least one lane will remain open in each direction at all times. Turn lanes will be closed at various locations for safety reasons. Motorists may experience delays.

#### **Glades Road / S.R. 808 from Boca Rio Road to Renaissance Way**

Construction on this **2.9-mile project** began **January 18, 2010**, and will last approximately ten months, weather permitting. Work consists of repaving and restriping Glades Road from just west of the Turnpike to just west of I-95; storm water drainage improvements; new sidewalks and curb ramps to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards; traffic signal upgrades at St. Andrews Boulevard, new signs; and landscaping, including irrigation. The estimated construction cost is \$3.7 million. Work will be performed by **Community Asphalt Corporation** and is expected to be completed by **late November 2010**.

**Restrictions:** Beginning Monday, January 25, 2010, there will be one travel lane closed in each direction, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, for project-related work. At least one lane will remain open in each direction at all times and access to local residences and businesses will be maintained. Motorists might experience delays.

#### **Federal Highway / S.R. 5 / U.S. 1 from the C-16 Canal to Hypoluxo Road**

Construction on this **2.318-mile** resurfacing project began **Tuesday, January 19, 2010**, in the town of Hypoluxo and the City of Boynton Beach. Work will last approximately eight months, weather permitting, and consists of repaving and restriping the roadway, minor storm water drainage, replacing sidewalks and curb ramps to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, new signs, traffic signal upgrades, and guardrail installation. Work is being performed by **Community Asphalt Corporation** and is expected to be completed in **September 2010**.

**Restrictions:** Beginning Monday, January 25, there will be intermittent lane closures, 7 a.m. until 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, for project related work. At least one lane will remain open in each direction at all times. Motorists might experience delays.

#### **Northern Palm Beach County Projects:**

##### **Beeline Hwy. / S.R. 710 from Military Trail to west of Congress Avenue**

Construction of this **1.35-mile** project from Military Trail to just west of Congress Avenue, on the Beeline Hwy. / S.R. 710 began on **November 12, 2007**. The **\$19.5 million construction** project includes road widening, repaving, pedestrian path upgrades, new street and sidewalk lighting, new signalization, signage and pavement markings, landscaping and irrigation. The work is being performed by **Ranger Construction Industries** and is expected to be completed in early **February 2010**.

**Restrictions:** One lane in each direction will be closed intermittently between Military Trail and Congress Avenue, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday. Motorists may experience delays.

### **U.S. 1 / S.R. 5 Parker Bridge Rehabilitation Project**

This **0.21-mile** bridge rehabilitation project began **November 30, 2009**, in the Village of North Palm Beach. This project includes: replacing the existing bridge grating and the tender house; replacing structural steel and machinery that raise and lower the bridge spans; and widening to accommodate new sidewalks, decorative lighting and decorative railing. Work is being performed by **PCL Civil Constructors, Inc.** and will be completed in **late 2010**.

**Restrictions:** Northbound traffic is shifted to one lane on the southbound bridge. The northbound bridge will be closed continuously for project-related work and traffic will remain in this configuration until April 2010, weather permitting. One lane will remain open in each direction at all times through the work zone during this period.

### **PGA Boulevard / S.R. 786 from Beeline Hwy. to just west of Ryder Cup Boulevard**

Construction on this 2.54-mile project began **January 5, 2010**, in the City of Palm Beach Gardens. The improvements under this contract consist of resurfacing PGA Boulevard from S.R. 710 (Beeline Highway) to west of Ryder Cup Boulevard; minor earthwork, bridge repair, signage, pavement markings and landscaping. The estimated construction cost is \$1.2 million. Work is being performed by **Ranger Construction Industries** and will be completed in **May 2010**.

**Restrictions:** All lanes are open.

### **S.R. A1A Little Blue Heron Bridge Replacement Project**

This **0.19-mile** bridge replacement project in the City of Riviera Beach began construction on **Monday, December 14, 2009** and will last approximately 18 months. This project includes removing the existing low-level, fixed bridge and replacing it with a new four-lane fixed bridge in the same location. This tidal relief bridge spans the Lake Worth Lagoon connecting A1A from Phil Foster Park to Singer Island. The work will be performed by **The Murphy Construction Company in conjunction with the Little Lake Worth Bridge Replacement Project**, which will begin construction in **April 2010** and last approximately one year. The combined cost for these two projects is estimated at **\$10.1 million**.

**Restrictions:** Westbound traffic has been shifted to one lane on the eastbound bridge. One lane is open in each direction through the work zone. Traffic will remain in this pattern for several months while workers replace the existing westbound bridge. Motorists should use caution and be aware of personnel and equipment moving in and around the work zone. SCUBA diving, swimming and boating are restricted in the vicinity of this bridge, for the duration of the project, for safety reasons.

### **South Dixie Highway / S.R. 811 from Riverside Drive to U.S. 1**

This **0.281-mile** resurfacing project in the Town of Jupiter began construction **January 4, 2010**, and will last approximately three months, weather permitting. This project includes repaving and restriping S. Dixie Highway; upgrading traffic signals and signs; replacing curb ramps to meet current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards; and landscaping, to include irrigation. The work is being performed by **Community Asphalt**. The estimated cost is **\$446,131** and work is expected to be completed in **March 2010**.

**Restrictions:** Travel lanes will be closed as necessary, 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., Monday through Friday, to perform project-related work. At least one lane will remain open in each direction at all times. Motorists might experience delays.

### **Western Palm Beach County Projects:**

### **S.R. 25 / U.S. 27 from the Hendry County / Palm Beach County Line to Mile Post 12.5**

Construction on this **\$15 million** project includes milling and resurfacing the roadway and demolishing and replacing the bridge over the Miami Canal. The project began on **Tuesday, September 2, 2009**, and is expected to be completed in **March 2010**. The work is being performed by **Ranger Construction Industries**.

**Restrictions:** Traffic is reduced to one lane in each direction on the Miami Canal Bridge near South Bay. Travel lanes are also closed in both directions at various locations, 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, between the Palm Beach-Hendry County Line and S.R. 80 in the City of South Bay, for paving and other project-related work. The advisory speed limit is posted at 45 mph through the work zones and is being enforced. Motorists should exercise caution when traveling through these areas.

### **S.R. 80 / S.R. 15 from Hooker Highway to the Hillsboro Canal**

Construction on this 2.9-mile project began **July 6, 2009**. Work consists of rehabilitating the bridge over the Hillsboro Canal, milling and resurfacing the roadway, installing new signs and pavement markings, minor signalization and curb ramp replacement, landscaping and irrigation. The work is being performed by Ranger Construction Industries. The project cost is **\$2.4 million** and was completed on **January 21, 2010**.

**Restrictions:** All lanes are open. This project received "Final Acceptance" from the department on January 21, 2010.

### **S.R. 700 / U.S. 98 from Old Conners Highway to Old 700 Alignment**

Construction on this **14.5-mile** project began **June 15, 2009**. Work consists of milling and resurfacing the roadway, upgrading pedestrian curb ramps, guardrail installation, shoulder reconstruction and drainage improvements. The project cost is **\$10.1 million** and is expected to be completed by **late 2010**. The work is being performed by **Ranger Construction Industries, Inc.**

**Restrictions:** S.R. 700 remains closed between Muck City Road / CR 717 and Everglades Avenue / U.S. 441 until March 2010. A detour has been established along Muck City Road, State Market Road / CR 729 and Everglades Avenue. Mill Road remains open for local traffic only. Motorists may experience delays.

### **Maintenance, Utility and Permit Closures:**

**Restriction:** FPL will be moving major equipment from the Port of Palm Beach to the site of a new power plant facility located off Southern Boulevard / S.R. 80, just west of Seminole Pratt Whitney Road, 9 p.m. until 6 a.m., Monday, February 1, and Tuesday, February 2. Motorist may encounter delays along the designated route: S.R. 710 from the Port of Palm Beach west to Northlake Boulevard; Northlake Boulevard west to Seminole Pratt Whitney Road; south to S.R. 80 / Southern Boulevard; and west two miles to the entrance into the WCEC plant. **For further information about this operation, please contact Tony Hillman of Beyel Brothers at 321-403-0137.**

**Restrictions:** The outside northbound lane of I-95 from Forest Hill Boulevard to Southern Boulevard and the paved shoulder will remain closed continuously through January 2010, for barrier wall repair work.

**Restrictions:** Travel lanes on Okeechobee Boulevard / S.R. 704 will be closed from S.R. 7 to just east of Florida's Turnpike, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 p.m. until 6 a.m., Monday through Thursday. The left turn lane from Benoist Farms Road, at Okeechobee Boulevard, will remain closed until a full traffic signal is installed. Work is being performed by Ranger Construction for Palm Beach County Construction Services. For more information about this project, please contact **Palm Beach County Construction Services at 561-684-4000**.

**Restrictions:** There will be intermittent lane closures on Alternate A1A / S.R. 811 between Donald Ross Road and Center Street in Jupiter, 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., Monday through Friday and from 7 p.m. until 7 a.m., Monday through Thursday. For more information about this project, please contact **Palm Beach County Construction Services at 561-684-4000.**

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