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## FDOT Announces Additional Capacity on I-295 East Beltway

**Jacksonville, Fla.** –The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) announced additional capacity will be added to the I-295 East Beltway Express Lanes project, currently under construction.

"As our region continues to grow, FDOT will seek opportunities that bring congestion relief to drivers - sooner rather than later. Through Governor Ron DeSantis' and Secretary Thibault's leadership, FDOT will develop solutions for the most complex challenges on the roadway," said FDOT District Two Secretary Greg Evans. "Drivers should spend their time doing what they want to do. We're confident the additional capacity will offer drivers congestion relief and get them where they want to go."

I-295 between Baymeadows Road and J. Turner Butler Boulevard (SR 202) will see an additional lane and ramp improvements along portions of the corridor. The interchange at Gate Parkway and J. Turner Butler Boulevard will see improvements as part of the announcement.

The additional capacity will extend construction along the corridor to fall 2020, weather and unforeseen circumstances permitting. The project team is currently exploring the possibility of opening an additional lane of I-295, if safety requirements can be maintained and work can safely occur.

The Express Lanes project from State Road 9B to J. Turner Butler Boulevard began in 2016 and is a \$160 million project.

To learn more about the Express Lanes, visit <a href="www.FloridaExpressLanes.com">www.FloridaExpressLanes.com</a>. To learn more about the benefits of being a SunPass customer, please visit <a href="www.SunPass.com">www.SunPass.com</a>.

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