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**FDOT Begins Work on Two New Neighborhood Bridges in Jacksonville Beach** 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North Bridges to Temporarily Close for Replacement

**Jacksonville Beach, Fla.** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will temporarily close the 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North bridge in Jacksonville Beach beginning as early as Monday, June 1 as part of the State Road A1A (3<sup>rd</sup> Street) Drainage Improvements.

As shown in the map below, FDOT will detour drivers traveling westbound on 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North or 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North to 7<sup>th</sup> Street North to Patricia Lane onto 8<sup>th</sup> Street North where they can rejoin 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North or 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North.

Drivers traveling eastbound on 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North or 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North will be detoured to 8<sup>th</sup> Street North to Patricia Lane onto 7<sup>th</sup> Street North where they can take a right to rejoin 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North or 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North.



The 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North bridge was closed earlier this year. Construction crews will conduct work on the 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North and 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North bridges concurrently in an effort to minimize any impacts to nearby schools.

FDOT is working to reopen the new 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North bridge prior to the start of the 2020/2021 school year, weather and schedule permitting. The 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North bridge is expected to reopen later this fall.

The State Road A1A (3<sup>rd</sup> Street) Drainage Improvements project will improve drainage and alleviate flooding often seen during major weather events in some of the most flood-prone areas of Jacksonville Beach.



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For up-to-date information on the project, please visit www.JaxBeachDrainage.com.

Additionally, a dedicated 24-hour hotline has been established for this project 904-363-8440.

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