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FDOT Reopens 5th Street Bridge to Traffic for A1A Drainage Project

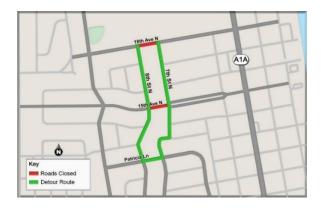
Neptune Beach, Fla. – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has reopened the 5th Street Bridge in Neptune Beach to motorists as part of the State Road A1A (3rd Street) Drainage Improvements. The pedestrian detour will remain in place until the sidewalk is complete.

The 5th Street Bridge is one of five bridges being replaced as part of the channel improvements. The State Road A1A (3rd 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.

The 18th Avenue North and 15th Avenue North bridges closed earlier this year and will remain closed through the summer to facilitate construction of the new 18th Avenue North and 15th Avenue North bridges. Construction crews are working on the 18th Avenue North and 15th Avenue North bridges concurrently in an effort to minimize impacts to nearby schools.

As shown in the map below, drivers traveling westbound on 18th Avenue North or 15th Avenue North are being detoured to 7th Street North to Patricia Lane onto 8th Street North, where they can rejoin 18th Avenue North or 15th Avenue North.

Drivers traveling eastbound on 18th Avenue North or 15th Avenue North are being detoured to 8th Street North to Patricia Lane onto 7th Street North, where they can take a right to rejoin 18th Avenue North or 15th Avenue North.



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 at (904) 363-8440.

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