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### **Northbound I-295 detour scheduled Sunday night between Philips Highway and Baymeadows Road**

**Jacksonville, Fla.** – Northbound I-295 will be detoured between Philips Highway (U.S. 1) and Baymeadows Road (State Road 152) Sunday night, March 31 between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. The detour is necessary for crews to pour a concrete bridge and is part of the I-295 express lanes project from State Road 9B to J. Turner Butler Boulevard.

Drivers will be detoured at Philips Highway and proceed north to Southside Boulevard and then take eastbound Baymeadows Road to continue to their destination. State Road 9B traffic will not be impacted by the detour.

The express lanes project extends from State Road 9B to just north of J. Turner Butler Boulevard and consists of two 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 express lanes for a fee or remain on the non-tolled portion of I-295.

Express lanes are known as an “expressway within an expressway” where express lanes are separated from general use lanes. The toll rate for express lanes will vary depending on the amount of traffic within the express lanes. Dynamic message signs will show the current toll rate. The goal of the express lanes is to give drivers travel options and improve traffic flow in all lanes. A SunPass or interoperable transponder is required to use the lanes. For more information about express lanes visit [www.FloridaExpressLanes.com](http://www.FloridaExpressLanes.com).

The \$139.9 million project was awarded to the Archer-Western Contractors design-build team and is expected to be completed in summer 2019, weather and schedule permitting.

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