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## FDOT to host pre-construction open house for upcoming A1A Drainage Project

**Jacksonville** – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will host a pre-construction open house ahead of the A1A (3<sup>rd</sup> Street) Drainage Project. Construction on this project is expected to begin in the spring.

The open house will be Thursday, February 1 from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Jacksonville Beach Community Center and Exhibition Hall, 2508 South Beach Parkway, Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250. Interested parties may drop by at any time, no formal presentation will be provided.

This project includes improvements to the existing drainage channel which will allow portions of A1A to see improved drainage. These improvements include channel clearing, grading, and sheet piling from Penman Road to the existing box culvert, near 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, along the existing drainage canal. Channel crossings at 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue North, Seagate (20<sup>th</sup>) Avenue and 5<sup>th</sup> Street North will be replaced.

The Kings Road Bridge will be replaced as a part of this project. A full bridge closure will be required during construction. A map of the improvement locations is attached.

Every effort will be made to minimize the impact to nearby residents and schools. Special provisions, including the use of non-vibratory methods for sheet-piling, will be required to reduce noise levels near the work zone.

While drainage along A1A will be improved, additional drainage projects will be necessary to completely eliminate flooding along the corridor after a weather event.

Construction is expected to last approximately two and a half years. The De Moya Group, Inc. was awarded the \$25.7 million contract to complete the project.

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