



Friday, April 24, 2009

Please see this coming week's traffic restrictions below. For more information on these projects or any other construction projects in Palm Beach County, log on to www.pbfdot.com. **For up-to-the-minute traffic information call 511.**

I-95 HOV Expansion, from Donald Ross Road (exit 83) north to S.R. 706/ Indiantown Road (exit 87A/B)

The **\$43.5 million, 4.5 mile** construction project will expand the existing six-lane interstate to 10 lanes, which includes one general purpose lane and one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction and additional auxiliary lanes. The project includes widening of the existing bridges over Donald Ross Road and the C-18 Canal; ramp improvements; sound barrier and retaining wall construction; signalization enhancements; new signing, pavement markings, lighting; and landscaping, including irrigation. Construction began **August 21, 2008** is being performed by **Posen Construction**. Construction is expected to be **completed spring 2012**.

Restrictions: There will be a single lane closure to the outside travel lanes of I-95, 9 p.m. until 6 a.m., Sunday, April 26, through Thursday, April 30, to fill the median.

There will be a single lane closure to the outside eastbound travel lane on Donald Ross Road in the vicinity of I-95, 9 p.m. until 6 a.m., Monday, April 27 through Thursday, April 30, for ramp widening.

Motorists should be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the roadway by the northbound Donald Ross Road entrance and exit ramps.

I-95 HOV Expansion, from south of PGA Boulevard (exit 79A/B) north to Donald Ross Road (exit 83)

The **\$44 million, 4.3 mile** construction project will expand the existing six-lane interstate to 10 lanes, which includes one general purpose lane and one High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction and additional auxiliary lanes. The project includes mainline ramp reconstruction and the widening of the existing bridges over PGA Boulevard and Military Trail (exit 79C). Additional enhancements include improved drainage; sound barrier and retaining wall construction; new signing, pavement markings, lighting, and landscaping. Construction **began August 20, 2008** and is being performed by **Community Asphalt Corporation**. This project is expected to be **completed winter 2011**.

Restrictions: There will be intermittent closures to the outside travel lane(s) on Military Trail, in the vicinity of the I-95 overpass, around-the-clock, Monday, April 27, through Friday, May 1, for bridge widening and pile driving activities. One travel lane, of three, will remain open at all times.

The inside travel lane on eastbound and westbound PGA Boulevard will remain closed, in the vicinity of I-95, at all times, for bridge work.

On Thursday, April 30, workers will remove an overhead sign on southbound I-95 in the vicinity of Military Trail. One lane will be closed beginning at 9 p.m. A second lane will be closed at 10:30 a.m. and access to southbound I-95 at Indiantown Road / S.R. 706, Donald Ross Road and Military Trail will be closed for approximately 45 minutes some time after midnight. Motorists should expect delays and seek alternate routes if possible. While this work is underway, Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), will assist motorists through the work zone. The speed limit will be reduced to 20 mph through the work zone during this operation. One travel lane and southbound on ramps will reopen at some point after midnight. A second lane will reopen at 5 a.m. and the third lane will reopen by 6 a.m. All lanes will remain open during daytime hours. Local traffic is being asked to enter southbound I-95 from PGA Boulevard. Motorists traveling northbound on I-95 will not be affected.



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There are now stop signs at the northbound I-95 exit ramp onto westbound PGA Blvd and at the southbound I-95 exit ramp onto Military Trail. These lanes no longer merge. Please use caution. Early warning signs are in place on the ramps to alert motorists.

U.S. 1/S.R. 5 Drainage Improvement Project

This **0.18 mile** drainage improvement project in the City of Palm Beach Gardens began on January 12, 2009. This project includes installing new storm water drainage outside of the roadway; repaving; utility work and the installation of French drainage. This project will be constructed in phases to minimize impacts to the public. This **\$2.19 million** project is being performed by **Ranger Construction Industries** and is expected to be **complete late October 2009**.

Restrictions: Northbound and southbound traffic is restricted to one lane in each direction on the southbound side of U. S. 1 until approximately June 2009, weather permitting. The inside left turn lane of southbound U.S. 1 onto S.R. A1A / PGA Boulevard (Jack Nicklaus Drive) and the outside left turn lane of eastbound PGA Boulevard onto northbound U.S. 1 are closed. The northbound through/right turn lane on U.S. 1 turning onto S.R. A1A / PGA Boulevard (Jack Nicklaus Drive) is now a right-turn only lane.

The Oakbrook Square exit off northbound U.S. 1 will be closed during this phase of construction and the entrance will be closed until **May 2009**. Motorists are asked to enter and exit the plaza through the two northern driveways on U.S. 1 (Golden Bear Plaza and SteinMart) or the southern driveways on S.R. A1A / PGA Boulevard (Jack Nicklaus Drive). Electronic message boards will guide motorists to alternate entrance / exit locations.

Electronic message boards have been placed on northbound and southbound U. S. 1 and S.R. A1A / PGA Boulevard (Jack Nicklaus Drive) to provide advance warning to motorists for Phase Two construction. Motorists should anticipate delays when traveling through this area and should use caution.

Phase Two includes all project-related work scheduled for the northbound side of the road.

***All businesses along this corridor are open and access to businesses will be maintained throughout construction.**

Please log on to the project Web site for information on Phase Two construction
www.pbfdot.com/95Expansion.

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