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## **TRAFFIC PACING OPERATION PLANNED FOR NORTHBOUND I-95 OVERNIGHT OCT. 4**

**PALM BEACH GARDENS** – Northbound drivers on I-95 between Blue Heron Boulevard in Riviera Beach and Indiantown Road in Jupiter will be slowed to 20 miles per hour overnight Monday, Oct. 4, 2010 for overhead sign placement, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) officials report. The traffic pacing will include two, 20-minute periods between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m., weather permitting.

Two of three northbound lanes of I-95 will be closed between Donald Ross Road and Indiantown Road for the sign placement. The outside lane will close at 9 p.m. and the center lane at 11 p.m. Both lanes will reopen by 6 a.m. The closures will allow heavy equipment to move into place prior to the traffic pacing, and removed when sign placement has been completed.

Florida Highway Patrol cruisers will slow traffic in all northbound travel lanes of I-95 beginning at Blue Heron Boulevard. Northbound entrance ramps at Blue Heron Boulevard, Northlake Boulevard, PGA Boulevard, Military Trail and Donald Ross Road will be closed when the sign work begins. The ramps will reopen when troopers pass the ramps. Southbound traffic will not be affected.

The pacing operations will allow construction crews to remove and replace overhead signs across the northbound lanes south of Indiantown Road. During the first 20-minute period, construction crews will erect two new signs across the northbound lanes of I-95. At the end of the first operation, FHP troopers will restage at Blue Heron Boulevard and a second pacing operation will begin. The second 20-minute period is to remove the old overhead signs. Please note this schedule may change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

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The work is part of the \$43.5 million, 4.5-mile I-95 HOV Expansion Project from south of Donald Ross Road to south of Indiantown Road. The 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 sign; pavement markings; lighting; and landscaping, including irrigation. The work began Aug. 21, 2008 and is being performed by Posen Construction. Construction is expected to be completed in spring 2012.

For around-the-clock, real-time, I-95 traffic information, call 511. To view real-time video of I-95 in Palm Beach County, visit the FDOT I-95 Interim Traffic Management System (ITMS) website at [www.palmbeachcotraffic.org](http://www.palmbeachcotraffic.org). These free services are provided by FDOT and the SunGuide™ Partners. For updated lane closure information, please refer to [www.pbfdot.com/95Expansion](http://www.pbfdot.com/95Expansion).

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