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LANE CLOSURE SCHEDULED ON S.R. 5/ U.S. 1 AT S.R. A1A/ PGA BOULEVARD TO BEGIN FEBRUARY 23

PALM BEACH GARDENS – The inside left turn lane of southbound U.S. 1 to turn onto State Road (S.R.) A1A/ PGA Boulevard (Jack Nicklaus Drive) will be closed from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, February 23, through Wednesday, February 25, for the removal of the concrete median on U.S. 1, just north of the S.R. A1A/ PGA Boulevard intersection, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Officials report.

This closure is being performed in preparation for the launch of Phase Two of construction, which will begin in early March 2009. Phase Two includes all project-related work scheduled for the northbound side of the road. During this phase, northbound lanes will be closed completely and all northbound traffic will be shifted on one lane on the southbound side of U.S. 1. 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 will be closed during this phase, which will last approximately three months, weather permitting.

The Oakbrook Square entrance off northbound U.S. 1 will be closed during this phase of construction. Motorists will be asked to enter the plaza through the two northern entrances on U.S. 1 or on S.R. A1A/ PGA Boulevard (Jack Nicklaus Drive).

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. Motorists should anticipate delays when traveling through this area and should use caution.

This \$2.19 million, 0.18 mile drainage project includes installing new drainage pipes outside the roadway on S.R. A1A/ PGA Boulevard (Jack Nicolas Drive) and U.S. 1. Additional enhancements include repaving, utility work and the installation of french drains. Construction began January 12, 2009 and is being performed by Ranger Construction Industries. This project is expected to be completed October 2009.

For information on FDOT construction projects in Palm Beach County, please refer to www.pbfdot.com. For around-the-clock, real-time traffic information within the tri-county area (Palm Beach, Broward and Miami-Dade Counties), travelers should **call 511**. Information is also available on-line at www.511southflorida.com. These free services are provided by FDOT and the SunGuide™ Partners.

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