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I-95 SOUTHBOUND EXIT RAMP TO MILITARY TRAIL To Close Monday, Feb. 7, Through Monday, Feb. 21

PALM BEACH GARDENS – The I-95 southbound exit ramp to Military Trail will be closed to all traffic Monday, Feb.
7, through Monday morning, Feb. 21, for construction, Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) officials report.
The closure is expected to begin at 5 a.m., Monday, Feb. 7. The ramp is expected to reopen at 5 a.m., Monday, Feb. 21.

A detour will be established directing drivers to exit at PGA Boulevard and turn right to Military Trail. The detour is approximately one-half mile. Message boards have been placed on southbound I-95 to alert drivers to the detour.

This ramp is one of several entrance and exit ramps at Military Trail and PGA Boulevard to close for reconstruction. Only one ramp is expected to be closed at a time, except for emergencies. Please note this schedule might change because of weather or other unforeseen circumstances.

The construction is part of the \$44 million, 4.3-mile I-95 HOV Expansion Project. 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. HOV lanes require vehicles to have two or more occupants.

The project includes mainline ramp reconstruction and widening 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 Aug. 20, 2008 and is being performed by Community Asphalt Corporation. This project is expected to be completed early in 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 <u>www.palmbeachcotraffic.org</u>. These free services are provided by FDOT and the SunGuideTM Partners. For updated lane closure information, please refer to <u>www.pbfdot.com/95Expansion</u>.

I-95 Southbound Exit Detour to Military Trail

