

## SOUTHERN BOULEVARD BRIDGES REPLACEMENT PROJECT Project Update Thursday, August 12, 2021

Mariners are advised that periodic closures of the navigable Intracoastal Waterway (ICWW) under the Southern Boulevard Bridge may occur due to ongoing construction. Please be advised bridge openings will be suspended from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. daily between Monday, August 16, and Thursday, September 2. Half-channel openings may be requested by calling (407) 488-0738 with four hours of advance notice. Marine vessels able to pass without an opening may do so at any time. During half-channel openings, the horizontal clearance through the bridge is 45 feet. Vehicle traffic will not be impacted.

During full channel closures, mariners are encouraged to avoid the area. Times and dates of channel closures are subject to change. The schedule of channel restrictions is published in the U.S. Coast Guard's Local Notice to Mariners at <a href="http://www.navcen.uscg.gov">www.navcen.uscg.gov</a>. For on-scene communications, mariners are advised to use VHF Marine Radio Channel 9.

The Southern Boulevard (SR 80) Bridges Replacement Project includes replacing the existing bascule (draw) bridge and tide relief bridge over the ICWW and Lake Worth Lagoon between the City of West Palm Beach and the Town of Palm Beach. The project limits are between Washington Road in West Palm Beach and State Road A1A/South Ocean Boulevard in Palm Beach. New decorative lighting, pedestrian features, traffic signals, signage and drainage are included. A temporary bridge has been built north of the existing bridge to maintain traffic while the replacement bascule bridge is under construction. Active construction began April 3, 2017 and will last until late 2021. The estimated construction cost is \$95 million.

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