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### **Florida's Turnpike Widening Project at Dolphin Expressway to Begin**

**Miami, Fla.** – Florida's Turnpike Enterprise is scheduled to begin a widening project along Florida's Turnpike Extension/SR 821, from SR 836/Dolphin Expressway to NW 106<sup>th</sup> Street, the week of October 14. This project includes the following improvements:

- Widening the Turnpike to 10 lanes, between State Road (SR) 836/Dolphin Expressway to NW 106<sup>th</sup> Street/Flagler Station Boulevard
- Widening Turnpike bridges over SR 836/NW 12<sup>th</sup> Street, NW 25<sup>th</sup> Street, NW 41<sup>st</sup> Street, NW 58<sup>th</sup> Street and the NW 74<sup>th</sup> Street Canal
- Converting NW 117<sup>th</sup> Avenue, between NW 34<sup>th</sup> Street and NW 41<sup>st</sup> Street, into a northbound Turnpike entrance ramp and a slip ramp for local traffic continuing on NW 117<sup>th</sup> Avenue, north of NW 41<sup>st</sup> Street
- Interchange improvements at SR 836 and NW 12<sup>th</sup> Street, including construction of three new ramps
- Intersection improvements at NW 12<sup>th</sup> Street, NW 41<sup>st</sup> Street and NW 74<sup>th</sup> Street
- Constructing sound walls along qualifying residential areas adjacent to the Turnpike
- Asphalt milling and resurfacing, guardrail and fencing, lane striping, drainage, signage and lighting improvements

It is anticipated that these improvements will cost \$245 million and construction is expected to be completed in 2024. Please note this schedule may change due to inclement weather or unforeseen conditions.

Efforts will be made to minimize traffic and noise disruptions, but lane closures, ramp closures and detours will be necessary. Closures will generally take place during off-peak hours and will be announced in advance in the Florida's Turnpike weekly traffic advisory.

For more information about this project, call 1-800-749-PIKE or go to [www.floridasturnpike.com](http://www.floridasturnpike.com). Drivers may dial 5-1-1 for real-time traffic information or visit [www.fl511.com](http://www.fl511.com) before traveling.

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