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## Interchange Improvement project begins at Glades Road and Florida's Turnpike in Boca Raton

FORT LAUDERDALE — Construction on a project that is designed to help improve traffic flow at the Turnpike's Glades Road interchange will begin January 3, transportation officials announced today.

## Key components are:

- Widening the exit ramp from the northbound Turnpike to Glades Road to two lanes
- Constructing an additional right turn lane from the Turnpike off ramp to westbound Glades Road
- Constructing an additional right turn lane from westbound Glades Road to the entrance to the Turnpike

Work also includes painting the existing Turnpike bridge over Glades Road and adding new signals, lighting, landscaping and drainage improvements.

In January, crews will shift traffic on northbound Turnpike as construction begins on the \$8.3 million project. Construction is expected to be complete in summer 2018.

Efforts will be made to limit traffic and noise disruptions as much as possible, but lane closures, ramp closures and detours will be necessary to accomplish the improvements. These will generally take place between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. on Sunday through Thursday to minimize traffic congestion and delays for most drivers. Closures 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 <a href="www.Floridasturnpike.com">www.Floridasturnpike.com</a>. Drivers may dial 5-1-1 for real-time traffic information or visit <a href="www.FL511.com">www.FL511.com</a> before traveling. They may also follow @fl511\_Turnpike on Twitter.