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Nightly Closure of Northbound Turnpike Entrance Ramp from Southwest 8 Street
Traffic will be detoured nightly from 11:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. from Tuesday, May 16 to Wednesday, May 24

FORT LAUDERDALE —The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is scheduled to close the northbound Turnpike entrance ramp from Southwest 8 Street nightly between 11:30 p.m. to 5 a.m., Tuesday, May 16 through Thursday, May 18. Closures will occur again nightly from 11:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. on Monday, May 22 through Wednesday, May 24. Motorists on SW 8 Street wishing to enter northbound Turnpike will be directed to travel north on SW 107 Avenue and then travel west on NW 12 Street to enter northbound Turnpike. This ramp closure will allow crews to install temporary barrier walls in the area.

Following the completion of this ramp closure, the northbound entrance ramp from SW 8 Street will be narrowed to one lane on the ramp (it currently narrows to one lane as it merges onto the Turnpike), for approximately six months. This lane reduction will allow crews to begin widening activities along the SW 8 Street bridge over the Turnpike.

This work is part of the Turnpike’s ongoing $112 million widening project on Florida’s Turnpike between Bird Road/SW 40 Street to Dolphin Expressway/SR 836. Please note, this schedule may change due to inclement weather or other unexpected conditions.

For more information about this project, call 1-800-749-PIKE or go to www.Floridasturnpike.com. Drivers may dial 5-1-1 for real-time traffic information or visit www.FL511.com before traveling. They may also follow @fl511_Turnpike on Twitter.