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## Florida's Turnpike Opens Road to E-ZPass Customers

SunPass PRO™ Debuts as New Interoperable Transponder

**Ocoee, FI.** – Beginning XXX, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise will accept E-ZPass as a payment method for tolls on the Turnpike System and launch the SunPass PRO™, a new portable transponder that can be used everywhere E-ZPass is accepted.

"Florida's transportation system, under Governor Ron DeSantis, has made progressive steps in electronic toll collection and the E-ZPass partnership will help us continue to reduce congestion and improve safety on toll roads," said Florida Department of Transportation Secretary Kevin J. Thibault, P.E. "We are glad to be taking such a critical step toward national interoperability, a long-term and ongoing pursuit of the transportation industry."

"Automobiles are the preferred mode of travel, more so today than ever before, and now travelers can enjoy the ease of using one transponder to pay for tolls when visiting Florida," said Nicola Liquori, Florida's Turnpike Enterprise Executive Director and CEO. "Revenue collection will be more efficient for tolling agencies and more convenient for our customers."

## **IAG Quote**

The brand-new SunPass PRO™ will cost \$14.95 and offers customers several benefits, including parking at most international airports in Florida and the Hard Rock Stadium in Miami. To obtain a SunPass PRO™, visit www.SunPass.com or call 888-TOLL-FLA (888-865-5352).

Travelers had long sought the convenience of one transponder for toll roads in Florida and the Northeast. The new agreement should be particularly appealing to winter visitors who come to Florida during cold-weather months to escape frigid temperatures.

The existing SunPass Portable and SunPass Mini transponders will continue to be accepted in Florida, Georgia and North Carolina. SunPass customers wanting seamless travel within the E-ZPass network will need to upgrade to the SunPass PRO™.

E-ZPass, the largest interoperable toll collection program in the nation, consists of agencies in 18 states with Minnesota expected to join the network later this year. With the addition of the SunPass system, E-ZPass customers can use one transponder on all owned and operated FDOT toll facilities, nearly 900 miles of roadway.

SunPass PRO™ will be accepted in the following states: Florida, Georgia, North Carolina, Maryland, Rhode Island, Indiana, Delaware, Illinois, New Jersey, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Kentucky, Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maine, West Virginia, New York and Ohio.





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