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Check FDOT's 511 For Roadway Conditions During Wildfires
Know Before You Go and Avoid Road Closures and Traffic Congestion

TALLAHASSEE – Florida residents and visitors can get the latest information on travel conditions and road closures during major wildfires, such as the Monroe County fire near Card Sound Road, by checking the Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) 511 Traveler Information System. During times of limited visibility due to wildfires, travelers can get reports in English and Spanish regarding road closures on major routes throughout the state.

The Florida 511 system covers all of Florida's interstates, toll roads and many metropolitan roadways. In times of emergencies, the system is updated with alerts on non-covered roadways.

"511 is a safety tool we advise people to use during emergencies and every day to get updates on road conditions before traveling," said Sgt. Kim Montes of the Florida Highway Patrol. "If we close roads, it's because it's necessary for the safety of the community."

There are four convenient ways for motorists to receive traffic updates:

- Call 511 toll free for updates in English and Spanish.
- Visit FL511.com for interactive roadway maps showing traffic congestion and crashes, travel times and traffic camera views.
- Download the free Florida 511 mobile app available on [Google Play](#) and [iTunes](#).
- Follow one of the 12 statewide, regional or roadway-specific feeds on [Twitter](#).

In addition to the 511 phone system, FL511.com provides links to county emergency resources, weather reports and advisories. The "Emergency Info" tab on FL511.com also may provide additional information on major road closures and alternate routes.

FDOT reminds all travelers to check 511 before hitting the road, have a passenger check 511 while driving or pull over to avoid distracted driving.

Traffic Updates on Twitter

For traffic updates via Twitter, FDOT encourages travelers to follow the Florida 511 Twitter feeds:

- [@FL511_State](#)
- [@FL511_Northeast](#)
- [@FL511_Panhandl](#)
- [@FL511_Central](#)
- [@FL511_TampaBay](#)
- [@FL511_Southeast](#)
- [@FL511_Southwest](#)
- [@FL_511_I4](#)
- [@FL511_I10](#)
- [@FL511_I75](#)
- [@FL511_I95](#)
- [@FL511_Turnpike](#)

Safety Tips

- Call 511 before driving or have a passenger call to avoid using a phone while driving.
- Customize your trip at FL511.com before leaving to minimize time spent on the phone.
- Drive slowly and turn on your lights in low visibility conditions.
- Always wear a safety belt.
- Don't drink and drive.

Florida 511 Features

- Traffic information on all interstate highways, toll roads and many other metropolitan roadways.
- Commuter travel times and reports on crashes, congestion and construction.
- Public transit, airport and seaport information.
- AMBER, Silver and LEO Alerts (America's Missing: Broadcast Emergency Response (AMBER) Alerts notify the public of the most serious child-abduction cases. Silver Alerts notify the public when law enforcement agencies are searching for missing adults or citizens with cognitive impairments, including Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia. Law Enforcement Officer (LEO) Alerts notify the public when law enforcement officers are searching for an offender(s) who has seriously injured or killed a law enforcement officer.)
- FL511.com provides travel information, traffic camera views and free personalized services, including customized travel routes and email, text and phone call alerts.
- Voice-activated and touch-tone navigation available when calling 511.
- The 511 phone call and FL511.com website are available in English and Spanish.

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