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## **New Safety Feature Completed on 95 Express in Miami-Dade County**

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*Miami, FL* – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), in coordination with the Florida Highway Patrol (FHP), has completed installation of 16,565 new, more durable plastic poles on 95 Express and reduced the spacing between these poles. This will increase safety for our road users by better separating the lanes and will discourage the practice of lane diving (crashing through poles to get in or out of the express lanes). Installation of the new poles is a safety feature that FDOT officials unveiled during a press conference last June.

**FDOT Secretary Jim Boxold said, “The safety of our motorists and first responders is always FDOT’s top priority. We understood the need to increase safety along this corridor and already see the effect the new poles have on driver behavior.”**

**FDOT District Six Secretary Jim Wolfe said, “Installation of the improved plastic poles will make South Florida roads safer.”**

**FHP Troop ‘E’ Public Information Officer Yosdany Veloz said, “We fully expect that the installation of these new plastic poles along with our enforcement activities will drastically curtail lane diving.”**

For more information, please call FDOT’s Public Information Office at 305-470-5349 or Construction Public Information Specialist Oscar Gonzalez at 786-280-0983 or go to the website at [www.fdotmiamidade.com](http://www.fdotmiamidade.com). For around-the-clock, real time, I-95 traffic information, call 511. Remember: stay safe. Stay in your lane.