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Reminder: Temporary Closure of Southbound State Road (SR) 826 Exit Ramp to West Flagler Street

(Ramp to be closed for approximately three months)

Miami, FL – Starting on Friday, July 17, the southbound SR 826 exit ramp to West Flagler Street will be temporarily closed for approximately three months. Drivers on southbound SR 826 wanting to exit at West Flagler Street will be detoured to the eastbound SR 836 ramp (second exit after NW 25 Street) in order to access the West Flagler Street/SR 826 south exit.

The temporary ramp closure will allow the contractor to finish construction of a new bridge over NW 7 Street and the permanent ramp lanes to the new southbound SR 826 exit to West Flagler Street. The following closures will be implemented to prepare for the ramp closure:

The southbound SR 826 ramp to West Flagler Street will be closed on Friday, July 17. The detour below will be implemented from 10 p.m., Friday, July 17 through 6 a.m., Sunday, July 19. Drivers can:

- Continue south on SR 826, exit at SW 8 Street east
- Connect with SR 826 northbound ramp and exit at West Flagler

The temporary, three month detour for southbound SR 826 drivers going to West Flagler Street after 6 a.m. on Sunday, July 19 will be as follows:

- Exit at the eastbound SR 836 ramp after NW 25 Street
- Enter the turn-around ramp signed for West Flagler Street/SR 826 South/Milam Dairy Road
- Exit at the ramp signed for West Flagler Street/SR 826 South

The eastbound SR 836 ramp to West Flagler Street/southbound SR 826 will be closed from 10 p.m., Friday, July 17 through 6 a.m., Sunday, July 19. Drivers can:

- Continue east on SR 836, exit at NW 72 Avenue/Milam Dairy Road
- South on NW 72 Avenue/Milam Dairy Road
- West on West Flagler Street to connect with the southbound SR 826 ramp

The West Flagler Street ramp to southbound SR 826 will be closed on Saturday, July 18 between the hours of 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Drivers can:

Westbound drivers on West Flagler Street going to southbound SR 826 can:

- West to NW 87 Avenue
- South to SW 8 Street
- East to SR 826

Eastbound drivers on West Flagler Street going to southbound SR 826 can:

- Continue east on West Flagler Street, south on NW 72 Avenue
- Turn right on Tamiami Canal Road to SW 8 Street
- West on SW 8 Street, access the southbound SR 826 ramp

Three southbound SR 826 lanes will be closed between NW 36 Street and NW 25 Street on Saturday, July 18, between the hours of 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Please note that this schedule may change due to bad weather or other unforeseen

conditions. For more information about the SR 826/SR 836 Interchange Reconstruction Project, please contact Construction Public Information Specialist Oscar Gonzalez at 786-280-0983 or Project Engineer Francis Chin at 305-388-5450 or go to <u>www.826-836.com</u>.

Drivers are encouraged to call 511 before they drive or log on to <u>www.fl511.com</u> to get real-time traffic and lane closure information. FDOT reminds drivers that wearing a safety belt is the single most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in motor vehicle crashes. Please drive cautiously in work zones.

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