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New Southbound State Road (SR) 5/ US 1/Biscayne Boulevard Ramp to Westbound NE 203 Street/Ives Dairy Road Opens Sunday, July 23

Detours will be implemented along West Dixie Highway, NE 26 Avenue while ramp work continues

MIAMI, Fla. – Beginning Sunday night, July 23, the new ramp from southbound SR 5/US 1/Biscayne Boulevard to westbound NE 203 Street/Ives Dairy Road will open. All motorists traveling in this direction will be directed to use this ramp. The previously used ramp near the Florida East Coast Railway crossing will be permanently closed. Please see map #1 below for reference.

Map #1: New ramp from southbound Biscayne Boulevard to westbound NE 203 Street



This new ramp marks a major milestone for the NE 203 Street Project. The ramp improves safety by removing vehicular traffic from crossing the FEC railroad tracks and onto the new flyover bridge ramp. It will also ease traffic flow for vehicles traveling through this critical intersection.

Once the ramp is open, additional work zones will be established for the contractor to continue constructing the other vehicular ramps. Detours will be set up to guide drivers around the work. Please follow all posted signs.

Drivers using the new ramp onto westbound NE 203 Street who wish to access southbound NE 26 Avenue and/or West Dixie Highway will have to (see map #2):

- Turn north on NE 26 Avenue
- Turn east on NE 206 Street
- Turn south onto West Dixie Highway

Map #2: Detour route from new ramp to southbound NE 26 Avenue and/or West Dixie Highway



Drivers traveling north on Biscayne Boulevard who wish to access northbound NE 26 Avenue, or drivers traveling west along NE 203 Street who wish to turn north on NE 26 Avenue will have to (see map #3):

- Turn south on NE 26 Avenue
- Turn east on NE 202 Street
- Turn north on West Dixie Highway
- Turn west on NE 206 Street
- Turn north on NE 26 Avenue

Map #3: Detour route from northbound Biscayne Boulevard and/or westbound NE 203 Street to northbound NE 26 Avenue



These detours will be in place for approximately six months.

For more information, please call FDOT's Public Information Office at (305) 470-5349 or Senior Construction Community Outreach Specialist Heather M. Leslie at (305) 905-5876 or <u>Heather@hmlpublicoutreach.com</u>. For additional information about this or other FDOT projects, please visit <u>www.southflroads.com</u>.

Drivers are encouraged to log on to <u>www.fl511.com</u> before they travel to get real-time traffic and lane closure information. The Florida Department of Transportation reminds motorists to always drive safely and avoid distractions while driving. Remember to put down cell phones. Florida law restricts motorists from using a wireless device in a school zone or an active construction zone.

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