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TRAFFIC ADVISORY

I-75 North Paynes Prairie Rest Area Closing Monday

Rest Area will be closed at least five days for resurfacing

Gainesville – The northbound rest area on Interstate 75 at Paynes Prairie in Alachua County is scheduled to close Monday, June 6, beginning at 7 a.m. The rest area will be completely closed for at least five days for resurfacing the parking areas and entrance and exit ramps, weather and schedule permitting.

The southbound rest area, which has been closed since May 31, is scheduled to reopen Sunday, weather and schedule permitting.

Message boards on the interstate warn motorists to bypass the facilities during the closures.

The closest [rest areas](#) are located 30 miles north in Columbia County and 37 miles south in Marion County.

The work is part of the \$12.6 million Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) resurfacing project on I-75 from the Marion County line to just south of Williston Road (State Road 121-Exit 382) in Gainesville. The project is scheduled to be completed by spring 2017.

The Florida Department of Transportation appreciates the patience of motorists during this construction to maintain Northeast Florida's interstate infrastructure. Of the 50 million people who travel by car into Florida, 40 million travel through District Two.