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Escambia and Santa Rosa County Traffic Alert

Chipley, FL – Drivers will encounter traffic disruptions on the following state roads in Escambia and Santa Rosa counties as crews perform construction and maintenance activities. To promote safety and reduce congestion over the Independence Day holiday weekend, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is suspending normal road construction activities on all major roads in Northwest Florida. There will be no lane closures on the state road system from 12 p.m. Friday, July 1 to 12 a.m. Tuesday, July 5.

Escambia County:

- **U.S 98 (Bayfront Parkway)**- 14th and Bayfront Parkway will be closed to traffic between Chase Street and Tarragona Street from 6 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, July 2 for the Firecracker 5K Run.
- **U.S 98 (Bayfront Parkway)**- Bayfront Parkway will be closed to traffic between Chase Street and Tarragona Street from 2 p.m. until midnight Monday, July 4 for an event.
- **I-10 Widening** – Intermittent and alternating lane closures on I-10, between Davis Highway (Exit 13) and U.S. 90 (Scenic Highway/Exit 17), from 7 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. the week of Tuesday, July 5 as crews perform striping work.

Santa Rosa County:

- **I-10 Widening** - Alternating lane closures, between the Escambia Bay Bridge and State Road (S.R.) 281 (Avalon Boulevard/Exit 22), Tuesday, July 5 through Thursday, July 7 from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. as crews continue widening work. In addition, alternating lane closures on Avalon Boulevard near the I-10 interchange for bridge work.
- **S.R. 281 (Avalon Boulevard)**- Intermittent lane closures and slow moving operations from U.S. 98 to the toll bridge from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. continuing through Thursday, July 28 as crews perform striping operations. There will be no work performed Friday through Sunday.
- **S.R. 87 and S.R. 89 from S.R. 4 to the Alabama line** – Intermittent and alternating lane closures and slow moving operations from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. continuing through Sunday, July 31 as crews perform striping operations.
- **U.S. 98** – Crews will perform striping operations and install raised pavement markers (RPMs) from the Pensacola Bay Bridge to Central Parkway (approximately nine miles) Sunday through Thursday nights through Sunday, July 31. Motorists may encounter minor traffic delays from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m.

All activities are weather dependent and may be delayed or re-scheduled in the event of inclement weather. Drivers are reminded to use caution, especially at night, when traveling in a work zone and to watch for construction workers and equipment entering and exiting the roadway.

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U.S. 331 Opens from Choctawhatchee Relief Bay Bridge to State Road 20

Chipley, FL – The U.S. 331 widening project between the Choctawhatchee Relief Bay Bridge and State Road 20 in Walton County will reach a milestone on Wednesday, July 6 when all four lanes of traffic will be open to drivers.

Work to widen 4.6 miles of the roadway from two to four lanes began fall 2012 and is scheduled to be complete late summer 2016. Motorists can expect intermittent lane closures as crews complete punch list items.

Construction activities are weather dependent and may be delayed or rescheduled in the event of inclement weather. Motorists are reminded to pay attention to the speed limit when traveling through the construction area and to use caution when driving in the work zones.

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