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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.

Escambia County:

- Interstate 10 (I-10) over Eleven Mile Creek Bridge- East and westbound traffic will be shifted to the inside lanes at the first of next week as crew begin construction on the outside lanes. Message boards are on site to alert drivers of upcoming change in traffic pattern.
- I-10 Widening, Escambia County Drivers will experience the following impacts on I-10 east and westbound, near Exit 17 (Scenic Highway) in Escambia County, from 7 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 17 through Friday, Feb. 19:
 - The right lane of I-10 will be closed.
 - Traffic in the left lane will be slowed by Florida Highway Patrol.
 - Traffic on the Scenic Highway on-ramp to I-10 eastbound will experience intermittent delays.

The closures and pacing operations will allow crews to place the concrete deck for the new Scenic Highway overpass.

- S.R. 289 (9th Avenue), Escambia County Crews continue paving operations between the intersection of Bayou Boulevard and Creighton Road. Lane closures will be in effect from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Motorists will also encounter intermittent and alternating daytime lane closures between Fairfield Drive and Cervantes Street as crews adjust manholes and valves.
- U.S. 29, Escambia County Intermittent and alternating lane closures within the town of Century and from Champion Drive north continue.

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• U.S. 90 (Scenic Highway) at the intersection of Scenic Highway Circle, Escambia County – Emergency repair work continues. New stormwater pipe will be installed beneath Scenic Highway. Traffic flaggers will be on site to assist with traffic control as construction vehicles enter and exit the work area. The repair work will take about two months to complete.

Santa Rosa County:

- US 98, Santa Rosa County- Alternating lane closures from the Gulf Breeze Zoo to the Okaloosa County line 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday, Feb. 15 through Friday, Feb. 19 as crews perform striping operations.
- U.S. 98, Santa Rosa County- Alternating lane closures between Central Parkway and the Gulf Breeze Zoo from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Sunday through Thursday through the end of February. Crews will also mill and pave crossovers and side streets through the end of February.
- I-10 Widening, Santa Rosa County Alternating lane closures between the Escambia Bay Bridge and S.R. 281 (Avalon Boulevard/Exit 22) from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 14 through Thursday, Feb. 18 as crews perform construction activities.

All activities are weather dependent and may be delayed or re-scheduled in the event of inclement weather. Motorists 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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Okaloosa and Walton County Traffic Alert

Okaloosa County:

- I-10 Resurfacing, Okaloosa County- Intermittent and alternating east and westbound lane closures from the Santa Rosa County line to east of County Road (C.R.) 189 (Holt Exit) between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 14 through Thursday, Feb. 18. Drivers are reminded the speed limit will be reduced to 60 MPH in the active work zone.
- State Road (S.R.) 85, Okaloosa County Northbound traffic on S.R. 85 in Okaloosa County will experience a change in the traffic pattern at the S.R. 85N/S.R. 123 intersection Sunday, Feb. 14. Lane closures will occur from 8 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 14 to 6 a.m. Monday, Feb. 15 as crews transition the north and southbound lanes of S.R. 85 to the original configuration.

Walton County:

- Interstate 10 (I-10) Resurfacing, Walton County- Intermittent and alternating east and westbound lane closures from just west of Boy Scout Road to just east of U.S. 331 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15 through Thursday, Feb. 18.
- I-10, Walton County- Alternating east and westbound lane closures on I-10, between mile marker 74 in Walton County and mile marker 94 in Holmes County from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 15 through Thursday, Feb. 18 as crews trim trees near the roadway.
- U.S. 331N, Walton County- Southbound lane closures Tuesday, Feb. 16 through Friday, Feb. 19 and Monday, Feb. 22 through Friday, Feb. 26 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. between Liberty Church of Christ and Harrison Drive as crews trim trees near the roadway.

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- U.S. 331 Choctawhatchee Bay Bridge, Walton County- Alternating lane closures across the Clyde B. Wells Bridge from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday, Feb. 15, Tuesday, Feb. 16, and Thursday, Feb. 18 as crews place concrete for the new bridge.
- U.S. 98, Walton County- Eastbound and Westbound traffic will encounter lane restrictions on U.S. 98 about three miles east of C.R. 395 from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. starting Tuesday, Feb. 16 and continuing for one month as crews perform turn lane construction.

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