

# A1A Reconstruction Project Update #11 NE 9 Street to NE 18 Street along Fort Lauderdale Beach

#### March 26, 2015

# Major construction activities that are underway and expected to continue through mid-April. These activities are being done by several crews spread throughout the project corridor:

- Installing foundation for sections of the decorative wave wall
- Pouring concrete to form sections of the decorative wave wall and beach access locations
- Applying stucco and painting sections of the decorative wave wall
- Installing brick pavers on both sides of A1A working from south to north
- Installing conduit, wiring, pole bases and poles for new street lights and pedestrian signals
- Installing water pipes and poles for new showers at each of the beach access openings
- Installing new drainage structures and pipes
- Constructing new roadway on west side of A1A between 16 St and 18 St, including hauling in fill material, leveling and compacting the materials, paving and applying pavement markings
- Pouring new concrete curbs

### **Turtle nesting season information:**

- Prior to the March 1 start of turtle nesting season, fencing was installed on the beach side of the sea wall to keep turtles out of the construction area
- Each work day a turtle monitor walks the length of the project limits on the beach side. If there is no sign of turtle activity, the monitor gives the contractor the 'all clear' for work to begin on the beach side of the wall. If a new nest is detected, the nest area is secured before the 'all clear' is given.
- Pedestrians and beach goers should not climb over or move, in any way, any fence on the beach

#### Reminders for everyone's safety in the construction zone:

- Pedestrians, joggers and beach goers should refrain from going around fencing, barricades or barrier walls through the construction area, particularly where machinery is in operation and where construction activities are underway
- Foot traffic should use only open beach access points, sidewalks and pedestrian crosswalks, as indicated
- There is no public parking along A1A within the project limits. Beach parking is available in Birch State Park. The park entrance is on Sunrise Blvd. just west of A1A. Beach access from the park is available via a pedestrian tunnel under A1A and a designated on-street crosswalk.
- Traffic is limited to one northbound and one southbound lane. Motor vehicles and bicycles are sharing the travel lanes.
- The speed limit through this construction zone is reduced to 25 mph
- A1A traffic should stop for pedestrians crossing A1A in the designated crosswalks and be courteous to vehicles turning in/out of driveways and residential side streets

#### **Contract Info & Schedule:**

- Prime contractor: Russell Engineering, Inc.
- Construction Engineering & Inspection: Calvin Giordano
- Crews are working weekdays between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. and half days on Saturday
- Construction completion is expected in mid-December 2015

FDOT and our contractors appreciate the cooperation of the Fort Lauderdale Police Department for their ongoing enforcement of the No Parking and reduced speed limit conditions within the project limits.

For additional information about this project contact FDOT's Public Information Office at 954-777-4090 or email <u>FDOT-D4PIO@dot.state.fl.us</u>.

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