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Traffic congestion anticipated when three toll lanes close beginning Tuesday, Oct. 19, at the Turnpike's Southwest 8<sup>th</sup> Street northbound on-ramp

FORT LAUDERDALE — Beginning Tuesday, Oct. 19, motorists will experience ramp toll plaza congestion and peak-time delays when entering northbound Florida's Turnpike from Southwest 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

Three of five toll lanes at the ramp toll plaza will close through early 2011 for tollbooth removal and pavement reconstruction as part of the [all-electronic open road tolling](#) project underway from Milepost 0 in Florida City to Milepost 47 at the Miami-Dade/Broward County line.

Drivers are encouraged to use alternate routes during peak times to avoid delays.

From the east, motorists may take Southwest 107<sup>th</sup> Avenue north to S.R. 836 and go west to the Turnpike's northbound on-ramp.

From the west, drivers may take Southwest 137<sup>th</sup> Avenue north to Northwest 12<sup>th</sup> Street and then go east to the Turnpike's northbound on-ramp at this interchange.

After construction is completed in early 2011, everyone will pay tolls without having to stop, with either SunPass or TOLL-BY-PLATE, and cash tolls will be removed.

Travelers should call 5-1-1 or visit [www.fl511.com](http://www.fl511.com) for information about traffic conditions, before they go.