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# BRIGHTLINE UPDATES WORK SCHEDULE ON N. CAUSEWAY RAILROAD CROSSING IN FORT PIERCE TO AND FROM NORTH HUTCHINSON ISLAND

Full closure scheduled for overnight hours beginning Monday, May 2

ORLANDO (April 12, 2022) – <u>Brightline</u>, the only provider of modern, eco-friendly, intercity rail in America, will complete critical railroad crossing work along N. Causeway/A1A in Fort Pierce, between US-1 and the A1A bridge, as part of the Orlando extension project.

The updated construction plan will impact traffic at the crossing between April 18 and May 16. During this time the roadway will remain open, lane closures will occur and flaggers will be present. Traffic will be detoured for one full day in May when the crossing is closed. Brightline is working with emergency responders to provide access to the island at all times. Schedules are subject to change.

Local residents are encouraged to sign up for Brightline updates by texting "A1A" to 888-384-0037.

The work is being coordinated with the Florida Department of Transportation and St. Lucie County and will bring necessary crossing improvements including new crossing signals, crossing gates, pedestrian gates and roadway asphalt improvements in preparation for the addition of a second railroad track.

Motorists should proceed with extra caution through work zones and adhere to posted detour signs, speed limits and other signage. Additional work details and detour information can be found below and on the <u>Brightline website</u>.

#### Fort Pierce - Railroad Crossing at N. Causeway/A1A

- 6 a.m., Monday, April 18 to 6 p.m., Monday, May 16
  - One lane will be open in each direction for the majority of the work schedule. Multiple lane closures can occur. Flaggers will be present at all times.
  - Pedestrian traffic will be allowed through.
- 6 p.m., Monday, May 2 to 6 a.m., Tuesday, May 3

Full road and pedestrian closure at railroad crossing (between Old Dixie Hwy. and Harbortown Dr.)

#### **Detour Information:**

## Eastbound N. Causeway/A1A

Via I-95

Exit I-95 at SR-60 (Exit 147), travel east on SR-60 to Indian River Dr., travel north on Indian River Dr. to Merrill P Barber Bridge, travel east on Merrill P Barber Bridge to A1A and travel south on A1A to proceed through North Hutchinson Island.

• Via US-1

Travel north on US-1 to SR-60 in Vero Beach, travel east on SR-60 to Indian River Dr., travel north on Indian River Dr. to Merrill P Barber Bridge, travel east on Merrill P Barber Bridge to A1A and travel south on A1A to proceed through North Hutchinson Island.

# Via A1A (Old Dixie Hwy)

Travel north on Old Dixie Hwy. to SR-60 in Vero Beach, travel east on SR-60 to Indian River Dr., travel north on Indian River Dr. to Merrill P Barber Bridge, travel east on Merrill P Barber Bridge to A1A and travel south on A1A to proceed through North Hutchinson Island.

#### Westbound N. Causeway/A1A

#### To I-95

Travel north on A1A through North Hutchinson Island to Merrill P Barber Bridge, travel west on Merrill P Barber Bridge to Indian River Dr., travel south on Indian River Dr. to SR-60 and travel west on SR-60 to access I-95.

### To US-1

Travel north on A1A through North Hutchinson Island to Merrill P Barber Bridge, travel west on Merrill P Barber Bridge to Indian River Dr., travel south on Indian River Dr. to SR-60 and travel west on SR-60 to access US-1.

## • To A1A (Old Dixie Hwy)

Travel north on A1A through North Hutchinson Island to Merrill P Barber Bridge, travel west on Merrill P Barber Bridge to Indian River Dr., travel south on Indian River Dr. to SR-60 and travel west on SR-60 to access Old Dixie Hwy.

#### **About Brightline**

Brightline is the only provider of modern, eco-friendly, high-speed rail service in America. The company currently operates between Miami, Fort Lauderdale and West Palm Beach in Florida and is scheduled to complete construction to the Orlando International Airport by the end of 2022. Brightline was recognized by Fast Company as one of the Most Innovative Companies in travel, offering a guest-first experience designed to reinvent train travel and take cars off the road. Brightline plans to bring its award-winning service to additional city pairs and congested corridors across the country that are too close to fly and too long to drive, with immediate plans to connect Las Vegas to Southern California. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.gobrightline.com">www.gobrightline.com</a> and follow us on <a href="facebook">Facebook</a>, <a href="https://linkingram">Instagram</a>, and <a href="https://www.gobrightline.com">Twitter</a>.

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