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## FDOT halts all construction work in preparation for Hurricane Matthew

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**ORLANDO** — The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District 5 has halted construction work on all FDOT projects on Interstates, Limited Access facilities, coastal and evacuation route roadways effective immediately in preparation for the approaching Hurricane Matthew.

Contractors are being instructed to secure all equipment in a manner to mitigate damage by lowering crane booms, securing containment systems, securing work platforms and moving marine barges away from bridges. Contractors are also opening travel lanes, removing all non-critical barricades, signs and drums. Those devices that must remain in place to protect traffic switches or drop offs will be reinforced to account for the expected high winds. Workers may be present in construction zones while they secure the area.

Beginning on Wednesday, October 5 the only approved lane closures on these roads will be for removal of the non-critical barricades and to repair washouts and drop-offs, where possible.

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