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**HURRICANE IDALIA  
FDOT EMERGENCY ORDER 23-10  
(Pursuant to Executive Order Nos. 23-171, 23-172, 23-174, 23-175, and 23-212)**

WHEREAS, on August 26, 2023, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 23-171 regarding Invest 93L; and

WHEREAS, on August 28, 2023, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 23-172, amending Executive Order 23-171 by adding coastal and inland counties in Central and North Florida to the state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, on August 29, 2023, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Orders 23-174 and 23-175, amending Executive Order 23-171 by adding additional counties to the state of emergency; and

WHEREAS, on August 30, 2023, Hurricane Idalia made landfall near Keaton Beach, Florida, as a Category 3 Hurricane with sustained winds of approximately 125 miles per hour, and traveled across North Florida into Georgia; and

WHEREAS, the affected areas are still recovering from the damage caused by Hurricane Idalia's strong winds, storm surge, flooding, and heavy rainfall; and

WHEREAS, on October 24, 2023, Governor Ron DeSantis issued Executive Order 23-212, amending Executive Order 23-171 by removing Bay County from the state of emergency and extending all other provisions of Executive Order 23-171, as amended, for sixty (60) days; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Department of Transportation is continuing to deploy resources to support the disaster response efforts related to Hurricane Idalia.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JARED W. PERDUE, P.E., Secretary of the Florida Department of Transportation, hereby find that the Department of Transportation's timely performance of disaster response functions related to Hurricane Idalia continues to be hindered by the application of procedures imposed by statute, rule, or order.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority granted to me by Executive Order 23-171, as amended by 23-172, 23-174, 23-175, and 23-212, I hereby:

1. Continue to waive and suspend the following rules and statutes: sections 316.515(1)-(3), 316.535(1) and (3), 316.545(2) and (4), 316.550(1), and 337.401(1)(a), Florida Statutes, and Rules 14-28.002(4) and (5), and 14-46.001(2), Florida Administrative Code, to the extent needed to allow the establishment of alternate size and weight restrictions for divisible loads on any vehicles transporting emergency equipment, services, supplies or personnel, or to transport FEMA mobile homes or office style mobile homes, and agricultural commodities and citrus as recommended by the Commissioner of Agriculture, and as needed to waive by special permit the warning signal requirements in the Utility Accommodation Manual to accommodate public utility companies from other jurisdictions to render assistance in restoring vital services, subject to the limitations expressed in Executive Order 23-171, as amended.
2. Continue to waive and suspend sections 112.061, 216.292, 216.313, 287.055, 287.056, 287.057(1)-(10), (12), (17), (20), and (25), 287.15, 337.02(2), 337.107, 337.11, 339.08, and 339.135(6), Florida Statutes, and Rules 60A-1.002, 60A-1.017, 60A-1.021, 60A-1.043, and 60A-1.045, Florida Administrative Code, as they relate to leasing, printing,

purchasing, travel, the conditions of employment and the compensation of employees, or the use of State Transportation Trust Funds off the State Highway System, to the extent necessary to ensure the timely performance of the Department of Transportation's disaster response functions, as prescribed in the State Comprehensive Management Plan, or as directed by the State Coordinating Officer.

3. In accordance with section 1 of Executive Order 23-175, as amended by Executive Order 23-212, the waivers and suspensions of statute include the following counties: Alachua, Baker, Bradford, Brevard, Calhoun, Charlotte, Citrus, Clay, Collier, Columbia, DeSoto, Dixie, Duval, Flagler, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Gulf, Hamilton, Hardee, Hernando, Hillsborough, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lake, Lee, Leon, Levy, Liberty, Madison, Manatee, Marion, Nassau, Orange, Osceola, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Putnam, Sarasota, Seminole, St. Johns, Sumter, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Volusia, and Wakulla Counties.
4. All actions taken by the Florida Department of Transportation with respect to this emergency before the issuance of this Emergency Order are hereby ratified.

This order shall expire on December 23, 2023, the expiration or rescission of Executive Order 23-171, as amended, or my further order, whichever is earlier.

Effective this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2023.

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*Jared W. Perdue*

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Jared W. Perdue, P.E., Secretary  
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