Palm Beach County will be gradually implementing the flashing yellow arrow (FYA) left-turn traffic signal throughout the county. The FYA traffic signal has been used nationwide for over 10 years, including in more than 100 locations in Florida. The first FYA left-turn traffic signals in Palm Beach County were installed last fall at eight intersections along and in the vicinity of Congress Avenue in the city of Boynton Beach. The county has since adopted the FYA traffic signal as part of its standards for new and retrofit traffic signal projects.

The next installations are planned to occur between May and July at intersections along Donald Ross Road and Hood Road in Jupiter and Palm Beach Gardens. One or more of these installations may be delayed due to unforeseen project challenges associated with the COVID-19 outbreak.

**WHAT IS FLASHING YELLOW ARROW?**

A new traffic signal that means you can turn left if there is a safe gap in traffic.

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**Safety Benefits:**

- FYA has been found to have a higher level of understanding and correct response by left turn drivers.
- Enhances pedestrian safety in crosswalks.
- The Federal Highway Administration has found that the FYA reduces crashes.

**Mobility Benefits:**

- FYA provides more opportunities for left turns that are currently prohibited.
- FYA improves signal synchronization.
The FYA signal indication will replace the traditional solid circular green indication for the following two left-turn signal types:

- **Permissive Only** where only a solid circular green indication is displayed and motorists must always yield to oncoming traffic and pedestrians before completing the left turn.

- **Protected/Permissive** which is comprised of two parts, a “protected” left-turn phase initiated by a green arrow signal indication where oncoming traffic must stop and it is safe to turn left, followed by a “permissive” part during which a solid circular green signal is displayed and left-turning traffic must yield to oncoming traffic.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION** on the Flashing Yellow Arrow, please visit the Traffic Division website:

http://discover.pbcgov.org/engineering/traffic/Pages/default.aspx

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