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On The Roads

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Q: I was just reading a story about the Interstate 595 construction and I don't know what a "braided" exit ramp is?

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A: A braided ramp refers to the new system of entrance and exit ramps that is being constructed at some of the interchanges on I-595.

It's called a braided ramp because it involves building the exit ramp on a bridge over the entrance ramp.

Right now, traffic enters I-595 in the same lane and location as traffic is trying to exit the highway. The braided ramps will eliminate that so when you merge onto I-595 you won't have to worry about cars trying to cut over to make the next exit a few hundred feet ahead.

The new braided ramps will be in six locations on I-595, including eastbound between Flamingo Road and Hiatus Road, between Hiatus and Nob Hill Road, between Nob Hill and Pine Island Road, and between University Drive and Davie Road, and two westbound between Davie and University and between Pine Island and Nob Hill.