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Ribbon Cutting Opens New Park and Ride in Navarre

A ribbon cutting on Thursday, January 28 at 1:30 p.m. will officially open 24 new park and ride spaces at Navarre Park located on U.S. Highway 98. The new park and ride area will offer citizens a convenient place to form carpools when traveling to Okaloosa County, Gulf Breeze or Pensacola. Car pooling benefits everyone as it reduces wear and tear on vehicles, decreases gas consumption, eases traffic congestion, and is better for the environment. The public is invited to attend the event sponsored by Ride-On Commuter Services and the Navarre Chamber of Commerce.

Dan Deanda, Ride-On Program Manager for ten counties, remarked on the project, "Bringing this new park and ride to Navarre has truly been a cooperative effort among state and local organizations, beginning with Commissioner Gordon Goodin proposing the idea and board of county commissioners approving to designate the spaces which are located on county property." The project also included county public works striping the spaces and installing signs in the lot and the Florida Department of Transportation installing the signs on U.S. Highway 98.

The Navarre Park spaces are the most recent addition to the growth of park and ride facilities in Santa Rosa County. Over the past few years, the Florida Department of Transportation constructed lots at Avalon Boulevard and I-10 and at State Road 87 South and U.S. Highway 90. More information about car pool ride matching or assistance in establishing van pools is available from the Ride On staff at (800) 342-5557 or on the Web at www.wfrpc.org/ride-on.

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