

Amtrak rides Florida East Coast rails

April 29, 10:23 AM · Leo King - Jacksonville Transportation Examiner



Photo/Leo King

A passenger train is finally on the Florida East Coast Ry. once again. At about 8:15 a.m. today, Amtrak took a trip southward from Jacksonville to Miami and passed over the St. Johns River Bridge, milepost 0.0. Engine No. 1 is leading, a GE P-42 with about 4,000 hp. The second unit is No. 67. On Saturday, the train will return to Jacksonville making five-minute stops along the way to pick up and drop off VIPs and media. Saturday "will be the first time that an FEC passenger train will leave downtown Miami for points north since January 22, 1963," says FEC historian Seth Bramson. The three-car train is scheduled to stop north of St. Augustine at 5th Street about at about 4:05 p.m. and arrive Amtrak station Jacksonville on Clifford Lane at 5:25 p.m.

Copyright 2010 Examiner.com. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten or redistributed.

**If You Haven't
Had a Ticket in the
Last 3 Years, You Are Paying
Too Much for Auto Insurance**

SELECT YOUR AGE:

[Calculate New
Payment](#)

LowerMyBills.com © 2010 LowerMyBills, Inc.

Author



Leo King is an Examiner from Jacksonville. You can see Leo's articles at: "<http://www.Examiner.com/x-10977-Jacksonville-Transportation-Examiner>"