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Project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

Detours on State Road 60 near TPA

TAMPA -- Eastbound or westbound State Road 60/Memorial Highway may be closed near the Spruce Street/ Tampa International Airport (TPA) interchange as needed Friday through Saturday (October 2 - 10) nights. Eastbound closures will happen between 10:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m.; westbound closures will occur between 11:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. Watch closely for lighted message signs alerting of the closures and to guide you to the detours.

* DETOUR for EASTBOUND SR 60 CLOSURE: Traffic will be directed off at the Spruce Street/TPA exit, continue east on Spruce St. to Westshore Blvd., then south on Westshore Blvd. to Cypress St., northbound I-275, or Kennedy Blvd. To access southbound I-275, continue south on Westshore Blvd., then turn right onto Kennedy Blvd., continue west and use the entrance ramp on the west side of Westshore Plaza.

* DETOUR for WESTBOUND SR 60 CLOSURE: Traffic will be directed off at the Spruce Street exit, then u-turn at O'Brien Street and use the westbound Spruce Street entrance ramp to westbound SR 60.

Night lane closures on ramps near airport

TAMPA -- Lane and shoulder closures may occur between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Friday through Saturday (October 2 - 10) nights on the following ramps: a) eastbound SR 60 into Tampa International Airport (TPA); b) eastbound SR 60 to Cypress Street; c) southbound exit out of TPA on the "loop ramp" to I-275/Cypress St./Spruce St./Kennedy Blvd.; and d) the ramp to Cypress St. coming off the "loop ramp." At least one lane of traffic will be able to get by during the closures.

Eastbound and westbound Courtney Campbell to be detoured early mornings

TAMPA -- Eastbound State Road 60 traffic on the Courtney Campbell Parkway continuing east towards Spruce Street, Tampa International Airport and I-275 may be detoured from 12 a.m. to 4 a.m. Saturday through Sunday (October 3 - 11) mornings as crews do bridge work over the road. DETOUR: Traffic will be directed north on Memorial Highway to the Independence Parkway exit, north on George Road, then east and south on Memorial Highway to eastbound State Road 60.

Westbound State Road 60 / northbound Memorial Highway traffic going onto the Courtney Campbell Parkway may also be detoured these same hours and nights. DETOUR: Continue north, exit to Independence Parkway, go north on George Road, then east and south on Memorial Highway to the westbound State Road 60 exit towards Clearwater.

Westbound SR 60 exit to airport may be closed at night

TAMPA -- The westbound State Road 60/northbound Memorial Highway exit to George Bean Parkway (roadway into Tampa International Airport) may be closed between 11:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. Friday through Saturday (October 2 - 10) nights. DETOUR: Take the ramp split onto eastbound Spruce Street. Get into the left lane, u-turn at the traffic signal at O'Brien Street, and use the westbound Spruce Street ramp into the airport.

maintenance: Interstate 275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge

Night lane closures on the north end of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge

ST. PETERSBURG -- The left lane will be closed for sign repairs on both northbound and southbound I-275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Tuesday (October 4 - 6) nights.

Project news: Northbound I-275 Connector to CR 296 / SR 686

Night lane closures on I-275 north and south of Roosevelt Boulevard

ST. PETERSBURG -- One to two lanes lane will be closed on northbound and southbound I-275 between Gandy Boulevard (Exit 28) and Ulmerton Road (Exit 31) from 8 p.m. to 6:30 a.m. Friday (October 2) night and Sunday through Saturday (October 4 - 10) nights. Northbound I-275 lane closures will not start until one-to-two hours after Tampa Bay Rays' home game on October 2 to allow traffic to clear.

Day and night lane closures on Roosevelt Boulevard at I-275

ST. PETERSBURG -- One to two lanes may be closed in each direction of Roosevelt Boulevard (State Road 686) from I-275 to 28th Street North from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday (October 3) and Monday through Sunday (October 5 - 11) and from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Friday (October 2) night and Monday through Saturday (October 5 - 10) nights.

Southbound I-275 exit to Roosevelt / CR 296 to be closed early mornings

ST. PETERSBURG -- Southbound I-275 Exit 30 to Roosevelt Boulevard (State Road 686) and County Road 296 (118th Avenue) will be closed between 12:01 a.m. and 5:30 a.m. Saturday (October 3) morning and Monday through Sunday (October 5 - 12) mornings. DETOURS: Use Exit 31 and take Ulmerton Road (State Road 688) west to Roosevelt Boulevard. If going to County Road 296, go east on Roosevelt, then turn right on 28th Street North and continue to County Road 296 / 118th Avenue.

Project news: I-275 from Himes Avenue to the Hillsborough River

Southbound I-275 lane closures at night

TAMPA -- The left lane may be closed on southbound I-275 from west of the Hillsborough River to east of Howard Avenue (Exit 42) from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (October 4 - 8) nights.

maintenance: Interstate 275

Night lane closures on I-275 from Floribraska to Bearss

TAMPA -- The left lane may be closed for maintenance work on northbound and southbound I-275 between Floribraska Avenue (Exit 46A) and Bearss Avenue (Exit 53) from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Wednesday (October 5 - 7) nights.

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