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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 (September 25 - October 3) 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 State Road 60 near airport

TAMPA -- One to two lanes may be closed on eastbound and westbound State Road 60 / Memorial Highway between the Courtney Campbell Causeway and Cypress Street from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday (September 25 and 26) nights.

Night lane closures on ramps near airport

TAMPA -- Lane and shoulder closures may occur between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Saturday (September 27 - October 3) 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.

Night lane closures on Courtney Campbell

TAMPA -- One to two lanes may be closed on eastbound and westbound State Road 60 on the Courtney Campbell Parkway between Memorial Highway and Rocky Point Drive from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Friday and Saturday (September 25 and 26) nights.

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 (September 26 - October 4) 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 (September 25 - October 3) 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.

TPA exit road may be closed at night

TAMPA -- Southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound road from Tampa International Airport) may be closed between 12:30 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. Saturday through Sunday (September 26 - October 4) mornings. Traffic will be routed to the service roads, then out to Spruce Street at the O'Brien Street intersection. Depending on destination, traffic will then be routed to I-275 or SR 60 using local roads including Spruce, O'Brien, and Cypress streets, Lois Avenue, or Westshore Boulevard.

Night lane closures on Spruce Street near Tampa International Airport

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in each direction of Spruce Street between O'Brien Street and State Road 60 from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Friday through Saturday (September 25 - October 3) nights.

Westbound Spruce Street may be closed early mornings near TPA

TAMPA -- Westbound Spruce Street may be closed just east of State Road 60 between 12 a.m. and 4 a.m. Saturday and Sunday (September 26 and 27) mornings. DETOUR to westbound SR 60/northbound Memorial Highway: Go south on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Kennedy Boulevard (SR 60) which turns into Memorial Highway at I-275.

Night and day lane closures on Cypress Street

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in each direction of Cypress Street under State Road 60 from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Friday through Saturday (September 25 - October 3) nights and from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday through Sunday (September 26 - October 4).

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. Sunday through Friday (September 27 - October 2) nights. Northbound I-275 lane closures will not start until one-to-two hours after Tampa Bay Rays' home games on September 28-30 and October 1 and 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 (September 26) and Monday through Saturday (September 28 - October 3) and from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Sunday through Friday (September 27 - October 2) 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. Monday through Saturday (September 28 - October 3) 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.