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project news: I-175 from I-275 to 4th Street

Daytime lane closures on I-175

ST. PETERSBURG -- One to two lanes will be closed on eastbound and/or westbound I-175 between I-275 and 4th Street between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 3-7).

Day entrance ramp closures on westbound I-175

ST. PETERSBURG -- The 4th Street, 6th Street, and 9th Street entrance ramps onto westbound I-175 may be alternately closed between 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 3-7).

project news: Sunshine Skyway Bridge Painting

Night lane closures on main span of Skyway Bridge

ST. PETERSBURG -- One of two lanes may be closed on the main span of northbound I-275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge between 7:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. nightly through December 23. The speed limit will be reduced to 55 MPH during lane closures.

project news: I-275 from 26th Avenue S. to 5th Avenue S.

Night and day lane closures on I-275 in south St. Pete

ST. PETERSBURG -- One to two lanes (of three lanes) will be closed on southbound I-275 between 26th Avenue South and 5th Avenue South between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 2-6) nights. One of three lanes will be closed on northbound or southbound I-275 in the same area between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 3-7).

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project news: I-275 from 62nd Avenue N. to Gandy Blvd.

Westbound Gandy ramp to southbound I-275 closed several nights

ST. PETERSBURG -- The westbound Gandy Boulevard (State Road 694) entrance ramp to southbound I-275 will be closed between 9:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Tuesday (December 2-4) nights.

DETOUR: Continue west on Gandy Blvd., u-turn at the traffic signal at Grand Avenue, and proceed to the eastbound Gandy Blvd. entrance ramp to southbound I-275.

Eastbound Gandy ramp to northbound I-275 closed at night

ST. PETERSBURG -- The eastbound Gandy Boulevard (State Road 694) entrance ramp to northbound I-275 will be closed between 9:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 2-6) nights.

DETOUR: Continue east on Gandy Blvd., turn left and go north on Roosevelt Blvd. (State Road 686), and proceed to the Roosevelt entrance ramp to northbound I-275.

Night lane closures on I-275 near Gandy Blvd.

ST. PETERSBURG -- One to two lanes will be closed on both northbound and southbound I-275 between 62nd Avenue North and Gandy Boulevard between 9:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 2-6) nights.

Night lane closures on Gandy Boulevard at I-275

ST. PETERSBURG -- One lane will be closed periodically in each direction of Gandy Boulevard (State Road 694) under I-275 between 9:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 2-6) nights.

Northbound I-275 Exit 28 closed Wednesday and Thursday nights

ST. PETERSBURG -- The northbound I-275 Exit 28 ramp to Gandy Boulevard (State Road 694) will be closed between 9:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday (December 5 and 6) nights.

DETOUR: Continue north on I-275 and exit at Roosevelt Blvd. (Exit 30: State Road 686), turn right at the bottom of the exit ramp and proceed east to Gandy Boulevard.

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

Southbound I-275 Ashley ramps closed this weekend

TAMPA -- The southbound I-275 exit ramp to Ashley Drive and the Ashley Drive entrance ramp to southbound I-275 will be closed from Friday night (November 30) to Monday morning (December 3) for construction work. The exit ramp will close about 8 p.m. Friday; the entrance ramp will close around 11 p.m. Friday. Both ramps are scheduled to reopen by 5 a.m. Monday.

Detours: for the southbound I-275 exit ramp closure: Use Exit 45A to Doyle Carlton Drive. Turn right at bottom of ramp onto Doyle Carlton, turn right onto Henderson Avenue, turn right onto Tampa Street and go south, turn right and go west on Tyler Street to Ashley Drive.

For northbound Ashley Drive entrance ramp closure to southbound I-275: Going north on Ashley Drive, turn right and go east on Cass Street, turn left and go north on Florida Avenue, turn left on Kay Street and go west to the I-275 entrance ramp at the Tampa Street/Kay Street intersection.

Portion of Green Street closed temporarily

TAMPA -- Green Street is closed from MacDill Avenue to Himes Avenue until about the end of December. DETOUR: North on MacDill, then west on Spruce Street, then south on Himes Avenue to Green Street.

Daytime flagging operations on Doyle Carlton Drive

TAMPA -- One of two lanes may be closed on Doyle Carlton Drive under I-275 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 3-7). Traffic will be controlled by flag persons.

North Boulevard to be closed this weekend

TAMPA -- North Boulevard will be closed between LaSalle Street and Main Street from 7 p.m. Friday (November 30) 6 a.m. Monday (December 3). The detour route uses Cass Street, Willow Avenue, and Main Street. Also, as Green Street will not be able to access North Boulevard, traffic going to and from Presbyterian Village will use Laurel Street and Green Street. Green Street will be turned into two-way traffic between Laurel Street and Presbyterian Village; Laurel Street will be turned into two-way traffic between Green Street and North Boulevard.

project news: I-75 at Bruce B. Downs (County Road 581) Flyover

Bruce B. Downs closed at I-75 at night

NEW TAMPA -- Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581) will be closed under I-75 as follows:

- * 9 p.m. Friday (November 30) to 5:30 a.m. Saturday (December 1); and
- * 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 2-6) nights.

During the closures, no traffic will be able to pass under I-75. Motorists will be directed onto I-75 on either side of the interstate.

DETOUR: Enter I-75, exit at the next interchange (either SR 56 or Fletcher Avenue), enter the other direction of I-75, and exit at Bruce B. Downs Boulevard.

Night lane closures on northbound I-75 at Bruce B. Downs

NEW TAMPA -- The left lane will be closed on northbound I-75 at the Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) interchange from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Wednesday through Friday (December 5-7) nights.

project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

Sunday night traffic impacts near Post Office at TIA

TAMPA -- Traffic at the intersection of the service roads on the north side of the U.S. Post Office at Tampa International Airport will be controlled by law officers between 11 p.m. Sunday (December 2) and 5 a.m. Monday (December 3).

TIA exit road to be closed very early mornings

TAMPA -- Southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound roadway from Tampa International Airport) will be closed between 12:30 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. Monday through Friday (December 3-7) mornings. Traffic will be routed to the service roads, then out to Spruce Street at the O'Brien Street intersection. Traffic going to I-275 can take Spruce Street east to Lois Avenue, then turn right and take Lois to I-275, or choose routes listed at myTBI.com.

Lane/ramp closures from Spruce Street to westbound SR 60

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on the westbound Spruce Street ramp to westbound State Road 60 between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 2-6) nights. All lanes may be closed on the westbound Spruce Street ramp to westbound State Road 60 between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Monday through Friday (December 3-7) mornings. Traffic will be detoured south on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Kennedy Boulevard (westbound SR 60).

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Daytime traffic impacts near post office at TIA

TAMPA -- Traffic on the service roads near the U.S. Post Office at Tampa International Airport will be periodically controlled by flag persons between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 3-7).

Northbound I-275 exit to Cypress Street to close December 6

TAMPA -- The northbound I-275 exit to Cypress Street will close for about two months beginning Thursday, December 6. Just the split to Cypress Street will close off this exit ramp (Exit 39B); the ramp to westbound State Road 60/Tampa International Airport will remain open. The detour to Cypress Street is to use Exit 39A and take Kennedy Boulevard east, then go north on Westshore Boulevard to Cypress Street.