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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 10-14).

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 10-14).

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 9-13) 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 10-14).

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

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. Friday night (December 7) and Sunday through Wednesday (December 9-12) 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.

Eastbound Gandy ramp to southbound I-275 closed several nights

ST. PETERSBURG -- The eastbound Gandy Boulevard (State Road 694) entrance ramp to southbound I-275 will be closed between 9:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Friday night (December 7), and Tuesday and Wednesday (December 11 and 12) nights.

DETOUR: Continue east on Gandy Blvd., u-turn at Dr. M.L. King Street (9th St. N.), and proceed to the westbound Gandy Blvd. entrance ramp to southbound I-275.

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. Saturday through Monday (December 8-10) nights and Thursday (December 13) night.

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.

Northbound I-275 Exit 28 closed several 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. Saturday night (December 8) and Tuesday through Thursday (December 11-13) 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.

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 9-13) nights.

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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 9-13) nights.

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

Portion of Green Street closed temporarily

TAMPA -- Green Street remains 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 10-14). Traffic will be controlled by flag persons.

North Boulevard to be closed weekend of December 14

TAMPA -- North Boulevard will be closed between LaSalle Street and Main Street from 7 p.m. Friday (December 14) 6 a.m. Monday (December 17). 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-4 Freeway Management System

Lane closures on I-4 Monday through Thursday nights

PLANT CITY -- Two of three lanes will be closed on I-4 in various locations between County Road 579 (Exit 10) and Alexander Street (Exit 21) between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. Monday through Thursday (December 10-13) nights as follows for work on overhead sign structures:

- * December 10: Eastbound I-4 approaching Kingsway Road (east of Exit 10).
- * December 11: Eastbound I-4 at Branch Forbes Road (Exit 17). The entrance ramp from Branch Forbes Road to eastbound I-4 will also be closed. Use the Thonotosassa Road entrance.
- * December 12: Westbound I-4 at the Weigh Station (west of Exit 19).
- * December 13: Eastbound I-4 at Alexander Street (Exit 21).

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

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

NEW TAMPA -- The left lane will be closed on northbound I-75 from the Hillsborough River (north of Fletcher Avenue, Exit 266) to just north of the Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) interchange from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Friday (December 10-14) nights.

Night lane closures on southbound I-75 south of Bruce B. Downs

NEW TAMPA -- The right lane (of two lanes) will be closed on southbound I-75 from Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) to the Hillsborough River (north of Exit 266) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday through Friday (December 11-14) nights.

project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

Brief delays on Cypress Street ramp to southbound I-275 at night

TAMPA -- Traffic will be controlled by flag persons on the Cypress Street entrance ramp to southbound I-275 between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Tuesday (December 9-11) nights.

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 10-14) 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.

Ramp from Spruce Street to westbound SR 60 closed early mornings

TAMPA -- The westbound Spruce Street ramp to westbound State Road 60 will be closed between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Monday through Friday (December 10-14) mornings. Traffic will be detoured south on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Kennedy Boulevard (westbound SR 60).

Lane closed during day on westbound Cypress Street at SR 60

TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on westbound Cypress Street at the State Road 60 overpass between 10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 10-14).

Turn lane closure at Frontage Road South/Cypress Street

TAMPA -- The right turn lane will be closed from Frontage Road South (next to Cypress Business Center) onto eastbound Cypress Street between 10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Wednesday (December 10-12).

Brief delays on eastbound State Road 60 ramp to southbound I-275 at night

TAMPA -- Traffic will be controlled by flag persons on the entrance ramp to southbound I-275 from eastbound State Road 60/southbound Memorial Highway between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Monday and Tuesday (December 10 and 11) nights.

Delays at Cypress / West Frontage Road Thursday through Saturday mornings

TAMPA -- Traffic will be controlled by law officers at the Cypress Street intersection at West Frontage Road between midnight and 1 a.m. Thursday through Saturday (December 13-15) mornings.

Northbound I-275 exit to Cypress Street closed

TAMPA -- The northbound I-275 exit to Cypress Street closed December 6 and will remain closed for about two months. Only the split to Cypress Street has been closed 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.