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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 night (February 12) and Sunday through Saturday (February 14 - 20) 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 entrance ramp to westbound SR 60.

Detours for eastbound Courtney Campbell to northbound Memorial/Veterans early mornings

TAMPA -- Eastbound State Road 60 traffic on the Courtney Campbell Parkway going north toward the Veterans Expressway and other roads to the north may be detoured from 12 a.m. to 4 a.m. Saturday through Sunday (February 13 - 21) mornings as crews do bridge work over the road. DETOUR: Drivers will be directed on eastbound SR 60/Memorial Highway to the Spruce Street exit, where they will then make a u-turn at the traffic signal at O'Brien Street, and then enter westbound State Road 60/northbound Memorial Highway to the Veterans and other connecting roadways.

SR 60 exits to airport may be closed at night

TAMPA -- The eastbound and westbound State Road 60/ Memorial Highway exits to George Bean Parkway (roadway into Tampa International Airport) may be closed between 10:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. Friday night (February 12) and Sunday through Saturday (February 14 - 20) nights.

DETOUR: Traffic will be directed 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.

Lane closures and detours for TPA exit road at night

TAMPA -- There will be lane closures on southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound road from Tampa International Airport) between 8:30 p.m. and 5 a.m. Friday night (February 12) and Sunday through Friday (February 14 - 19) nights. There may also be total ramp closures from 12:30 a.m. to 4:30 a.m. Saturday through Sunday (February 13 - 21) mornings. Traffic will be routed to eastbound Spruce Street, then u-turn at the O'Brien Street intersection and enter westbound State Road 60 / northbound Memorial Highway. For drivers going to eastbound State Road 60 or I-275, they will continue east on Spruce Street, then go south on Westshore Boulevard to northbound I-275 or Kennedy Boulevard (eastbound SR 60). To access southbound I-275, turn right on Kennedy Boulevard, continue west and use the entrance ramp by turning left across from the west side of Westshore Plaza.

Night lane closures between Kennedy Boulevard and Veterans Expressway

TAMPA -- One to two lanes may be closed in either direction on any of the travel lanes of State Road 60 / Memorial Highway from Kennedy Boulevard (south of I-275) to the Veterans Expressway from 8:30 p.m. to 5 a.m. Friday night (February 12) and Sunday through Friday (February 14 - 19) nights.

Westbound Spruce Street may be closed early mornings near TPA

TAMPA -- Westbound Spruce Street (entrance to westbound SR 60/northbound Veterans/Eisenhower) may be closed just east of State Road 60 between 12 a.m. and 4 a.m. Saturday through Sunday (February 13 - 21) 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. Follow signs towards Independence Parkway, and then use George St. or Independence to go to Memorial.

Flagging operations on eastbound SR 60 access roads at Bayport Drive

TAMPA -- Traffic may be controlled by flaggers on the eastbound State Road 60 access roads to and from Bayport Drive (Grand Hyatt) any time Friday through Saturday (February 12 - 20). Drivers should be alert to temporary new ramp alignments, including a stop before entering eastbound S.R. 60.

Lane closures on Cypress Street

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in each direction of Cypress Street between O'Brien Street and Reo Street from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday through Saturday (February 12 - 20).

One-lane traffic on N. Frontage Road

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed on North Frontage Road between Cypress Street and Laurel Street from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday through Saturday (February 12 - 20). Flaggers will direct traffic.

One-lane traffic on S. Frontage Road

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed on South Frontage Road between Cypress Street and I-275 (entrance ramp towards St. Petersburg) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday through Saturday (February 12 - 20). Flaggers will direct traffic.

maintenance: Interstate 275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge

Night lane closures on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge

ST. PETERSBURG -- One lane will be closed in either direction of I-275 for bridge maintenance on the high level sections of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge between 7:30 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (February 14 - 18) nights.

Lane closures several nights on southbound I-275 north of Sunshine Skyway

ST. PETERSBURG -- The right lane will be closed for maintenance work on southbound I-275 at Bunces Pass (north of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge) from 7:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (February 16 - 18) nights.

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

Lane closures during the day on Roosevelt Boulevard at I-275

ST. PETERSBURG -- One lane 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 (February 13) and Monday through Saturday (February 15 - 20).

Lane closures on CR 296

ST. PETERSBURG -- One lane may be closed in each direction of County Road 296 (118th Avenue) from 28th Street to 40th Street from 7:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. Friday night (February 12) and Sunday through Friday (February 14 - 19) nights.

34th Street closed in median of CR 296 at night

ST. PETERSBURG -- 34th Street will be closed in between the eastbound and westbound directions of County Road 296 (118th Avenue) from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (February 14 - 19) nights. Traffic will be detoured from 118th Avenue to northbound 49th Street, to eastbound Ulmerton Road to southbound 34th Street.

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

Southbound I-275 lanes closed this weekend

TAMPA -- The two right lanes will be closed on southbound I-275 from the Hillsborough River to east of Howard/Armenia avenues (Exit 42) around-the-clock from 10 p.m. Friday (February 12) to 5 a.m. Monday (February 15). This will result in just one-to-two lanes open in that area during this time. Traffic congestion is expected at times over the weekend.

Project news: I-75/I-275 Exit Ramps to State Road 56

Night lane closures on northbound I-75 approaching SR 56

NEW TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on northbound I-75 from Interstate 275 to north of State Road 56 (Exit 275) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (February 14 - 18) nights.

Night lane closures on I-275 approaching and onto I-75

NEW TAMPA -- One of two lanes will be closed on northbound I-275 approaching and onto northbound I-75 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (February 14 - 18) nights.

Project news: Interstate 75 Interchange at County Road 54

Night lane closures on CR 54 under I-75

WESLEY CHAPEL -- One lane will be closed on eastbound and westbound County Road 54 under I-75 between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (February 14 - 19) nights.