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

Traffic going from I-275 to 118th Avenue N. to be detoured Saturday

ST. PETERSBURG -- The ramp from I-275 connecting directly onto westbound 118th Avenue North (County Road 296) will be closed from 6 a.m. to about 1 p.m. Saturday, February 19. Drivers will still be able to use I-275 Exit 30 to reach 118th Avenue by using the detour listed below:

DETOUR: Instead of flowing directly onto westbound 118th Avenue, traffic will be routed to the traffic signal at 31st Court, where drivers can turn left to go west on 118th Avenue.

Additionally, from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, traffic coming from I-275 will not be able to go to the traffic signal at 31st Court. Instead, drivers will be routed onto the reopened ramp directly onto westbound 118th Avenue. Drivers who had wanted to go east on 118th will then need to u-turn to eastbound 118th at 43rd Street.

maintenance: Interstate 275

SR 60 ramp to southbound I-275 to be closed Sunday night

TAMPA -- The ramp from eastbound State Road 60 (Memorial Highway, south of Tampa International Airport) to southbound I-275 (to Howard Frankland Bridge/St. Petersburg) will be closed for maintenance work between 10 p.m. Sunday (February 20) and 5:30 a.m. Monday (February 21).

DETOUR: Continue past the exit and under I-275 to the traffic signal at Westshore Plaza. Turn right onto Kennedy Boulevard and use the ramp at the end of the road.

Thursday night lane closures on I-275

ST. PETERSBURG/TAMPA -- Intermittent single-lane closures will take place between 8 p.m. Thursday (February 24) and 4 a.m. Friday (February 25) in various locations in both directions of I-275 from 54th Avenue North (Exit 26) to east of the hump on the Howard Frankland Bridge and from Ashley Drive (Exit 44) to north of Bearss Avenue (Exit 53). Crews will be doing maintenance on overhead electronic signs.

Project news: I-275 Widening from U.S. 41 to I-75

Night lane closures on north section of southbound I-275

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed for paving on southbound I-275 between I-75 and U.S. 41 (north of Bearss Avenue, Exit 53) from 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (February 20 - 24) nights.

Project news: I-4 / Selmon Expressway Connector

Traffic to be detoured off eastbound Selmon Expressway Saturday -- beginning after midnight

TAMPA -- Eastbound traffic will be detoured off the lower level lanes of the Selmon Expressway (State Road 618) between 22nd Street and 50th Street this Saturday, February 19, for work associated with the I-4 / Selmon Expressway Connector project. The detour will begin after midnight (Friday night into Saturday morning) and end by 4 p.m. Saturday.

DETOUR: Traffic will be directed off the eastbound Selmon Expressway at Exit 9 (22nd Street), routed north to State Road 60 (Adamo Drive), east on SR 60, then south on 50th Street (U.S. Highway 41) to return to the Selmon Expressway. Drivers who want to exit at the interchanges at 50th or 78th streets need to follow this detour.

Drivers may avoid the detour by using the reversible lanes (upper deck) of the Selmon Expressway. If motorists do not exit off the lower level lanes at 22nd Street, they will be forced to enter the reversible lanes near 34th Street. Once on the reversible lanes, drivers can return to the lower level lanes only at one point -- west of U.S. 301 -- to make connections to U.S. 301, Falkenburg Road and I-75. Drivers who remain on the reversible lanes past U.S. 301 are not able to exit until the end of the expressway in Brandon at Town Center Boulevard and Brandon Parkway.

Day and night lane closures on eastbound Selmon Expressway

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed on the eastbound Selmon Expressway (SR 618) between 22nd Street (Exit 9) and 34th Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, February 19 and Monday through Saturday (Feb. 21 - 26), and from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (Feb. 20 - 25) nights.

Day lane closures on Adamo Drive

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in each direction of State Road 60 (Adamo Drive) between 26th and 34th streets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, February 19 and Monday through Saturday (February 21 - 26).

Day and night lane closures on 20th, 21st & 22nd streets near Selmon Expressway/SR 60

TAMPA (YBOR CITY) -- One lane may be closed each way on State Road 45 (20th, 21st and 22nd streets) from State Road 60 to Durham Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, February 19 and Monday through Saturday (February 21 - 26), and from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (February 20 - 25) nights.

Westbound 7th Avenue closed

TAMPA -- Both westbound lanes of 7th Avenue will remain closed around-the-clock for about one more week from 34th Street to 22nd Street for water main construction (closure began February 15). DETOUR: Westbound traffic is being directed south on 34th Street, west on State Road 60, then north on 22nd Street back to 7th Avenue.

Day lane closures on 34th Street near SR 60

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in both directions of 34th Street from State Road 60 (Adamo Drive) to Grace Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday (February 21 - 26).

Project news: I-4 Resurfacing from Branch Forbes Road to Memorial Boulevard

Night lane closures on I-4

PLANT CITY -- One to two lanes will be closed for paving at night on westbound I-4 between County Line Road (Exit 25) and Branch Forbes Road (Exit 17) Monday through Thursday (February 21 - 24) nights. Single-lane closures will be from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.; double-lane closures will happen between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m. By the end of the week, there may also be closures in that area on eastbound I-4.

Night ramp closures at westbound I-4 Exit 21 interchange

PLANT CITY -- I-4 ramps at the Exit 21 interchange (State Road 39/Alexander Street), will be closed between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. Monday through Thursday (February 21 - 24) nights for resurfacing. The planned schedule and detour information will be posted online at myTBI.com.

Project news: I-75 Slab Repairs from Progress Boulevard to State Road 60

Lane closures at night on I-75 in Brandon

BRANDON -- Two lanes will be closed on northbound I-75 from south of Progress Blvd. (south of U.S. 301, Exit 254) to north of State Road 60 (Exit 257) from 9 p.m. Sunday (February 20) to 6 a.m. Monday (February 21). Closures may be in both the northbound and southbound direction from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. February 22, 24 and 27 nights. One lane will also be closed on the northbound frontage lanes between U.S. 301 and S.R. 60 Sunday night, February 20.

Eastbound SR 60 ramp onto northbound I-75 to be closed Tuesday night

BRANDON -- The eastbound State Road 60 entrance ramp onto northbound I-75 will be closed from 9 p.m. Tuesday (February 22) to 5 a.m. Wednesday (February 23). DETOUR: Continue east on SR 60. U-turn at Grand Regency Boulevard, head west on SR 60 then use the westbound SR 60 ramp to northbound I-75.

Northbound I-75 exit to northbound U.S. 301 to be closed weekend of February 26

BRANDON -- The northbound I-75 exit to northbound U.S. Highway 301 (Exit 254) will be closed from 12:01 a.m. Saturday (February 26) to 5 a.m. Monday (February 28). DETOUR: Traffic will be routed to the southbound U.S. 301 ramp, then will make a u-turn south of Bloomingdale Avenue to go north on U.S. 301.

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

Night lane closures on northbound I-75 at I-275

NEW TAMPA -- One lane of northbound I-75 will be closed from just south of I-275 to south of State Road 56 (Exit 275) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Friday night, February 18 and Sunday through Friday (February 20 - 25) nights.

Night lane closures on northbound I-275 approaching I-75

NEW TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on northbound I-275 from one-half mile south of I-75 to just north of the interchange at I-75 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Friday night, February 18 and Sunday through Friday (February 20 - 25) nights.