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## **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 I-275 in either direction of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge between 7:30 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. nightly until further notice. 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 northbound I-275 between 26th Avenue South and 5th Avenue South between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (March 2-6) nights. There may also be periodic ramp closures these nights; traffic will be detoured to the next interchange.

One of three lanes will be closed on northbound or southbound I-275 in the same area between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (March 3-7).

## **maintenance: Interstate 275**

### **Night lane closures on the northbound Howard Frankland Bridge**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on northbound I-275 in the high section of the Howard Frankland Bridge between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Monday through Thursday (March 3-6) nights.

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**project news: I-275 Box Culvert from Howard Frankland Bridge to Lois Ave.**

**Lane closure on eastbound State Road 60 under I-275 Thursday night**

TAMPA -- One of three lanes will be closed on eastbound/southbound State Road 60/Memorial Highway at I-275 from 10 p.m. Thursday (March 6) to 5:30 a.m. Friday (March 7) as crews install temporary barrier wall. This will include closing the right lane of the entrance ramp to northbound I-275 (the left lane of the ramp will remain open).

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**Thursday night lane closures on northbound I-275 approaching Westshore**

TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on northbound I-275 from Exit 39B (SR 60 west) to Westshore Boulevard from 10 p.m. Thursday (March 6) to 5:30 a.m. Friday (March 7) as crews install temporary barrier wall.

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

**North Boulevard to be closed under I-275 Sunday through Thursday nights**

TAMPA -- North Boulevard will be closed from Laurel Street to Green Street (under I-275) between 7 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (March 2-6) nights. Local detours will be signed to guide traffic around the closure.

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**Daytime lane closure on North Boulevard**

TAMPA -- The right lane of southbound North Boulevard will be closed from Green Street to Laurel Street between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (March 3-7).

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**Daytime lane closure on Himes Avenue**

TAMPA -- The right lane of northbound Himes Avenue will be closed from LaSalle Street to Green Street between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (March 4-7) for utility work.

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**Daytime lane closures on MacDill Avenue**

TAMPA -- The left lanes of northbound and southbound MacDill Avenue will be closed from LaSalle Street to Main Street between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday (March 4 and 5).

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**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. Mondays through Fridays until further notice. Traffic will be controlled by flag persons.

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### **Closures on Green and Laurel streets**

TAMPA -- Green Street will be closed from Laurel Street to North Boulevard until approximately the end of May 2008. Local access to Presbyterian Village will be maintained. Laurel Street has been turned into two-way traffic between Green Street and North Boulevard for detour purposes. Green Street also remains closed between Lincoln Avenue and MacDill Avenue and one lane will be closed between Albany Avenue and Howard Avenue from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (March 4-7) for utility work.

### **project news: Interstate 4 Weigh-in-Motion Stations**

#### **Night lane closures on westbound I-4 between Exits 14 and 10**

SEFFNER -- The center and right lanes will be closed on westbound I-4 between McIntosh Road (Exit 14) and County Road 579 (Exit 10) between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday (March 2-5) nights as crews remove temporary barrier wall.

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

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

NEW TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on southbound I-75 from Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) to the Hillsborough River from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday and Monday (March 2-3) nights.

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#### **Bruce B. Downs ramps to northbound I-75 to be closed several nights**

NEW TAMPA -- The Bruce B. Downs Boulevard entrance ramps to northbound I-75 will be closed between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (March 2-7) nights.

DETOUR: Go north on Bruce B. Downs to State Road 56, turn left and go west to the northbound I-75 entrance ramp at that interchange.

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#### **Night lane closures on westbound Bruce B. Downs**

NEW TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on westbound/southbound Bruce B. Downs Boulevard from Dona Michelle Drive to I-75 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday and Monday (March 2-3) nights.

**project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)**

**Night closures on eastbound State Road 60 in TIA area**

TAMPA -- One to two lanes will be closed on eastbound State Road 60/southbound Memorial Highway near Tampa International Airport (TIA) between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Friday through Sunday (February 29-March 2) nights. All lanes may be closed any day Friday through Sunday (February 29-March 9) between 12 a.m. and 4 a.m. in the morning. Here is the detour when the road is completely closed:

DETOUR: All traffic will be directed off at the Spruce Street/TIA exit. Traffic can continue east on Spruce Street to Westshore Boulevard, then south on Westshore Boulevard to Cypress Street, northbound I-275, or Kennedy Boulevard. To access southbound I-275, continue south on Westshore Boulevard, then turn right onto Kennedy Boulevard, continue west and use the entrance ramp on the west side of Westshore Plaza. Motorists will also be able to use the TIA entrance ramp.

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**Night lane closures on TIA entrance road**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on northbound George Bean Parkway (inbound road to Tampa International Airport) between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Friday through Friday (February 29-March 7) nights.

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**Flagging on service road by TIA Post Office**

TAMPA -- Traffic will be flagged by workers or controlled by law officers on the service road adjacent to the U.S. Post Office at Tampa International Airport between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Saturday through Friday (March 1-7) nights.

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**Brief delays on State Road 60 and Cypress Street ramps to southbound I-275**

TAMPA -- Traffic will be controlled by flag persons on the entrance ramp to southbound I-275 from Kennedy Boulevard (State Road 60) and the ramps from eastbound State Road 60 and Cypress Street between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday and Monday (March 2 and 3) nights. By Tuesday morning, traffic using the ramp from Kennedy Boulevard will have to merge with the traffic coming from eastbound State Road 60/southbound Memorial Highway and Cypress Street.