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project news: Interstate 4 through Ybor City

Traffic impacts at night on I-275 ramps to I-4

TAMPA -- There will be periodic traffic paces, lane closures, and ramp closures in both directions of I-275 approaching the ramps to eastbound I-4 between 10 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 24-28) nights as follows:

- Entrance ramps to northbound I-275/eastbound I-4 from Ashley Drive and Jefferson Street will be closed. Use the left-entry ramp from Jefferson Street as an alternate.
- The right two lanes will be closed on northbound I-275 heading onto eastbound I-4.
- Traffic paces will occur on northbound I-275 from Howard Avenue to I-4 and on southbound I-275 from Hillsborough Avenue onto the ramp (Exit 45B) to I-4. Motorists should expect delays up to 15 minutes.

Lanes closed on westbound I-4 at night week of June 24

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- Two lanes (of 3-4 lanes) will be closed on westbound I-4 in the area from 22nd Street (Exit 1) to I-275 from 10 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 24-28) nights. There may also be several brief traffic paces Tuesday through Thursday nights.

Columbus Drive/50th Street ramp to westbound I-4 closed Sunday night

TAMPA -- The entrance ramp to westbound I-4 from Columbus Drive/50th Street will be closed between 11:30 p.m. Sunday (June 24) and 5:30 a.m. Monday (June 25). Motorists should use the MLK or 21st Street entrance ramps to access westbound I-4.

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22nd Street ramp to eastbound I-4 closed Monday night

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- The entrance ramp to eastbound I-4 from 22nd Street will be closed between 11:30 p.m. Monday (June 25) and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday (June 26). Motorists should use the 50th Street entrance to access eastbound I-4.

Westbound I-4 Exit 3 to 50th Street closed Monday night

TAMPA -- The westbound I-4 exit to 50th Street (Exit 3) will be closed between 11:30 p.m. Monday (June 25) and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday (June 26). Traffic will be detoured to Exit 5 and will travel west one mile on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. to 50th Street.

21st Street ramp to westbound I-4 closed several nights

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- The entrance ramp to westbound I-4 from 21st Street will be closed between 11:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (June 26-28) nights. Motorists should use the 50th Street entrance to access westbound I-4 or enter I-275 from downtown.

Day and night lane closures on 21st/22nd streets at I-4

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- One lane may be closed on both 21st Street and 22nd Street from 13th Avenue to 19th Avenue between 6:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday (June 24-27) nights and between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday (June 25-28).

Lane closure on 15th Street at I-4

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- One lane will be closed on 15th Street around-the-clock in the I-4 area until further notice for construction work.

Day lanes closure on 34th Street at I-4

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- One of two lanes may be closed in each direction of 34th Street from Columbus Drive to 13th Avenue between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (June 25-29).

Lanes closures on 40th Street under I-4

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in each direction of 40th Street under I-4 between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (June 25-29).

Night lane closures on 50th Street near I-4

TAMPA -- There will be periodic closures of one to two lanes at a time on either northbound or southbound 50th Street from 10th Avenue to north of I-4 at Melbourne Boulevard between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday nights (June 24-28).

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Lanes to be closed on Melbourne Boulevard

TAMPA -- Motorists can expect lane closures on Melbourne Boulevard from 50th Street to 47th Street from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 24-28) nights.

project news: Interstate 4 Weigh-in-Motion Stations

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

SEFFNER -- Two lanes (of 3 lanes in each direction) may be closed on both eastbound and westbound I-4 between County Road 579 (Exit 10) and McIntosh Road (Exit 14) Sunday through Thursday (June 24-28) nights. Westbound lane closures will occur between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m.; eastbound lane closures will be from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.

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 and southbound I-275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. nightly until further notice.

maintenance: Interstate 275

Day lane closures on I-275 in St. Pete

ST. PETERSBURG -- The right lane (of three lanes) will be closed on I-275 between 5th Ave. South (near Tropicana Field) and 26th Ave. South (Exit 18) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday and Wednesday (June 26 and 27). The closure will be in the southbound direction on Tuesday and northbound on Wednesday. Workers will be inspecting the roadway for upcoming repair work.

Night lane closures on I-275 in downtown Tampa

TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed in both directions of I-275 between (Ashley Drive, Exit 44) and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. (Exit 46B) from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday and Monday (June 24 and 25) nights. Workers will be inspecting signs.

project news: I-75 from north of State Road 60 to south of I-4

MLK ramp to southbound I-75 closed Sunday and Monday nights

BRANDON -- The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (State Road 574) entrance ramp to southbound I-75 will be closed from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday and Monday (June 24 and 25) nights. Traffic will be detoured west on MLK, then north on U.S. Highway 301, then east on I-4 to Exit 9 (southbound I-75).

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Night lane closures on I-75 between SR 60 and I-4

BRANDON -- One to two lanes (of three lanes) will be closed on northbound and southbound I-75 between State Road 60 (Exit 257) and I-4 (Exit 261) between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 24-28) nights.

Southbound I-75 Exit 257 to State Road 60 to be closed several nights

BRANDON -- The southbound I-75 exit ramp to State Road 60 (Exit 257) will be closed between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (June 26-28) nights. Traffic will be detoured to the next exit (Lee Roy Selmon Crosstown Expressway, Exit 256), where motorists can head west on the non-toll portion of the Expressway, then exit at U.S. 301 and go north to State Road 60.

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 left lane will be closed on southbound I-75 from south of Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) to the Hillsborough River between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 24 and 28) nights.

project news: I-75 from north of State Road 52 to northeast of County Road 577

Northbound I-75 lane closures in Pasco County

SAN ANTONIO -- The left lane will be closed on northbound I-75 between State Road 52 (Exit 285) and County Road 577 from 7 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 24-28) nights.

project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

Night lane closures on eastbound SR 60 near TIA

TAMPA -- One to two lanes (of three lanes) will be closed on eastbound State Road 60 near Tampa International Airport from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Friday nights (June 24-29).

TIA exit road to be closed very early Tuesday morning

TAMPA -- Southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound roadway from Tampa International Airport) will be closed between 12:30 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. Tuesday (June 26) morning.

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 as described below:

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TO ACCESS SOUTHBOUND I-275: Coming out of the airport service roads, motorists can go south on O'Brien Street, turn right onto Cypress Street, then turn left on the entrance ramp to southbound I-275 immediately after passing under the State Road 60/Memorial Highway overpass.

TO ACCESS NORTHBOUND I-275: Coming out of the airport service roads, motorists can turn left on Spruce Street, then right on Westshore Boulevard and proceed south to the northbound I-275 entrance ramp.

TO ACCESS EASTBOUND STATE ROAD 60: Coming out of the airport service roads, motorists can turn left on Spruce Street, then right on Westshore Boulevard and proceed south to Kennedy Boulevard (State Road 60). Turning left will put motorists onto eastbound State Road 60; turning right will put motorists onto westbound State Road 60.

TO ACCESS WESTBOUND STATE ROAD 60: Coming out of the airport service roads, motorists can turn right on Spruce Street and proceed west and use the ramp to westbound State Road 60 to the Courtney Campbell Causeway, Memorial Highway, and the Veterans Expressway.

Lane closures Friday night, June 22 on westbound State Road 60 near I-275

TAMPA -- There will be alternating lanes closed on westbound State Road 60 between I-275 and Spruce Street from 8:30 p.m. Friday (June 22) to 5:30 a.m. Saturday (June 23). Traffic will be shifted to right (east) in that area; morning commuters should be alert to these changed conditions.

Westbound State Road 60 to be closed near TIA early mornings

TAMPA -- Westbound State Road 60/Memorial Highway will be closed between I-275 and Tampa International Airport (TIA) from 12:01 a.m. to 4 a.m. Friday and Saturday (June 22 and 23) mornings for bridge work over the roadway. The northbound I-275 exit ramp to Cypress Street will also be closed. **DETOURS:**

Northbound I-275 to westbound State Road 60: Use Exit 39A to eastbound State Road 60 (Kennedy Boulevard). Go east on Kennedy, then north on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Spruce Street and use the ramps to TIA or westbound State Road 60.

Southbound I-275 to westbound State Road 60: Use Exit 40A (Westshore Boulevard). Go north on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Spruce Street and use the ramps to TIA or westbound State Road 60.

Kennedy Boulevard to westbound State Road 60: Go north on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Spruce Street and use the ramps to TIA or westbound State Road 60.

Northbound I-275 to Cypress Street: Use Exit 39A to eastbound State Road 60 (Kennedy Boulevard). Go east on Kennedy, then north on Westshore Boulevard to Cypress Street.

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Tuesday night lane closure / traffic pacing on eastbound State Road 60 near TIA

TAMPA -- One to two lanes will be closed on eastbound State Road 60 near Tampa International Airport from 8:30 p.m. Monday (June 25) to 5:30 a.m. Tuesday (June 26). There will then be a traffic pace between 12:01 and 4 a.m. Tuesday (June 26) for traffic on eastbound State Road 60 from Bayport Drive, and southbound Memorial Highway from the Veterans Expressway. Law enforcement officers will lead the pace, which should last about 5 to 10 minutes.

Spruce Street ramp to westbound SR 60 detoured early June 26-30 mornings

TAMPA -- The westbound Spruce Street ramp to westbound State Road 60 will be closed between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday mornings (June 26-30) as crews erect bridge girders. Traffic will be detoured south on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Kennedy Boulevard (westbound State Road 60).

Eastbound SR 60 exit to Spruce Street / TIA closed early Thursday

TAMPA -- The eastbound State Road 60/Memorial Highway exit to Spruce Street and Tampa International Airport will be closed between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Thursday (June 28) morning for bridge work.

Traffic will be routed to Kennedy Boulevard, then to northbound Westshore Boulevard, then to Spruce Street. Motorists going to TIA can enter via the westbound Spruce Street ramp.

Brief delays on eastbound SR 60 exit to Spruce Street/TIA

TAMPA -- Traffic on the eastbound State Road 60 ramp to Spruce Street and Tampa International Airport will be controlled by flagging operations between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday (June 26 and 27) and Friday and Saturday (June 29 and 30) mornings.

Brief delays on service road north of Post Office

TAMPA -- Traffic on the service road just north of the U.S. Post Office at Tampa International Airport will be controlled by flagging operations between 11 p.m. Thursday (June 28) and 6 a.m. Friday (June 29).