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general news

No interstate lane closures over Independence Day holiday

TAMPA/ST. PETERSBURG -- No lane closures are scheduled on the interstate system in Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas counties or State Road 60 in the Tampa Airport Interchanges construction zone during the Independence Day holiday period from Tuesday afternoon (July 3) through Wednesday (July 4). Closures are expected to begin at 12:01 a.m. Thursday, July 5 in the I-4 construction zone through Ybor City.

project news: Interstate 4 through Ybor City

Lanes closed on eastbound I-4 at night weeks of July 1 and 8

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- Two of four lanes may be closed on eastbound I-4 between I-275 and 50th Street (Exit 3) from 11:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights, Wednesday and Thursday nights (July 4 and 5), and Sunday through Thursday nights (July 8-12).

Lanes closed on westbound I-4 at night weeks of July 1 and 8

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- Two lanes (of 3-4 lanes) will be closed on westbound I-4 in the area from 50th Street (Exit 3) to I-275 from 11:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights, Wednesday and Thursday (July 4 and 5) nights, and Sunday through Thursday (July 8-12) nights.

Westbound I-4 exit ramp to 22nd Street closed Sunday night

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- The westbound I-4 exit ramp to 22nd Street (Exit 1) will be closed between 11:30 p.m. Sunday (July 1) and 5:30 a.m. Monday (July 2). Motorists can exit at 50th Street (Exit 3), go south on 50th Street, and then travel west on 7th Avenue or State Road 60 to 21st/22nd streets.

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Columbus Drive/50th Street ramp to westbound I-4 closed several nights

TAMPA -- The entrance ramp to westbound I-4 from Columbus Drive/50th Street will be closed between 11:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights and Wednesday and Thursday (July 4 and 5) nights. Motorists should use the MLK or 21st Street entrance ramps to access westbound I-4.

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. Sunday and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights and Wednesday and Thursday (July 4 and 5) 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 (July 1-4 and July 8-11) nights and between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday (July 2-5 and 9-12).

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 lane 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 (July 2-6 & 9-13).

Lanes closure 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 (July 2-6 and 9-13).

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 Columbus Drive to Melbourne Boulevard between 8 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday nights (July 1-5 and 8-12).

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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 (July 1-5 and 8-12) nights.

project news: Interstate 4 Weigh-in-Motion Stations

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

SEFFNER -- One lane (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 and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights, Thursday through Saturday (July 5-7) nights, and Sunday through Friday nights (July 8-13). 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.

maintenance: Interstate 375

Night lane closures on southbound I-275 ramp to eastbound I-375

ST. PETERSBURG -- One of two lanes will be closed on the southbound I-275 ramp to eastbound I-375 from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Wednesday (July 9-11) nights, and from 9 p.m. Thursday (July 12) to 6 a.m. Friday (July 13), allowing extra time that evening for traffic heading to the Devil Rays game. Crews will be replacing expansion joints.

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. However, there will be no closures Tuesday and Wednesday (July 3 and 4) nights to allow full access for holiday traffic.

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

MLK ramp to southbound I-75 closed Sunday night

BRANDON -- The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (State Road 574) entrance ramp to southbound I-75 will be closed from 8 p.m. Sunday (July 1) to 6 a.m. Monday (July 2). 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).

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 and Monday (July 1 and 2) and Thursday (July 5) nights and Sunday through Thursday (July 8-12) nights.

MLK ramp to northbound I-75 closed some nights

BRANDON -- The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (State Road 574) entrance ramp to northbound I-75 will be closed from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Tuesday (July 2), Thursday (July 5), and Sunday through Tuesday (July 8-10) nights. Traffic will be detoured to southbound I-75, exit at State Road 60/ Adamo Drive (Exit 257), then to the ramp to northbound I-75 from State Road 60. Motorists may also use U.S. Highway 301 or County Road 579 to I-4 to I-75.

Northbound I-75 exit ramps to MLK closed July 11/12 nights

BRANDON -- The northbound I-75 exit ramps to eastbound and westbound Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (State Road 574, Exit 260A) will be closed from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday nights (July 11 and 12). Traffic will be detoured to westbound I-4 (Exit 261), then to U.S. 301 (Exit 7). Motorists can then head south on U.S. 301 to MLK.

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 Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) to the Hillsborough River between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights, Thursday night (July 5) and Sunday through Thursday (July 8-12) nights.

maintenance: Interstate 75

Two lanes closed Sunday night on southbound I-75 near Fowler

TAMPA -- The center and right lanes will be closed on southbound I-75 near Fowler Avenue (Exit 265) for sign repairs from 8 p.m. Sunday (July 1) to 5 a.m. Monday (July 2).

One lane closed Monday night on northbound I-75 at Fletcher

TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on northbound I-75 at Fletcher Avenue (Exit 266) for sign repairs from 8 p.m. Monday (July 2) to 5 a.m. Tuesday (July 3).

Lanes closed on southbound I-75 at Exit 254 night of July 5

BRANDON -- The right lanes will be closed on southbound I-75 and the adjacent access road at Exit 254 (U.S. 301) from 8 p.m. Thursday (July 5) to 5 a.m. Friday (July 6). The closures are for overhead sign repairs.

Southbound I-75 lanes and Exit 257 closed night of July 8

BRANDON -- The right two lanes of southbound I-75 and the southbound I-75 exit ramp to State Road 60 (Exit 257) will be closed between 8 p.m. Sunday (July 8) and 5 a.m. Monday (July 9) for overhead sign repairs. Exit 257 traffic will be detoured to Exit 254 (U.S. Highway 301) where motorists can then enter northbound I-75 to Exit 257 or go north on U.S. 301 to State Road 60.

project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

TIA exit road to be closed very early Monday and Tuesday 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 and Tuesday (July 2 and 3) 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 as described below:

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.

Spruce Street ramp to westbound SR 60 detoured early mornings

TAMPA -- The westbound Spruce Street ramp to westbound State Road 60 may be closed between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Saturday through Tuesday mornings (June 30-July 3) and Friday through Saturday mornings (July 6-14). Traffic will be detoured south on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Kennedy Boulevard (westbound State Road 60).

Night lane closures on eastbound SR 60 near TIA

TAMPA -- One 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 and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights.

Lane closures on eastbound SR 60 exit to Spruce Street/TIA

TAMPA -- One of two lanes will be closed on the eastbound State Road 60 ramp to Spruce Street and Tampa International Airport between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Saturday through Monday (June 30-July 2) nights and Thursday through Saturday (July 5-14) nights.

Night lane closures on westbound SR 60 on east end of Courtney Campbell

TAMPA -- One lane (of three lanes) will be closed on westbound State Road 60 on the Courtney Campbell Causeway in the Bayport Drive area from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday and Monday (July 1 and 2) nights and Thursday and Friday nights (July 5 and 6).

Eastbound SR 60 exit to Spruce Street / TIA closed early July 6

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. Friday (July 6) 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.