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project news: Interstate 4 through Ybor City

Lanes closed on eastbound I-4 at night week of June 10

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- Two of four lanes will be closed on eastbound I-4 from I-275 to 50th Street from 11:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 10-14) nights.

Lanes closed on westbound I-4 at night week of June 10

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- Two lanes (of 3-4 lanes) will be closed on westbound I-4 in the area from 50th Street to I-275 from 11:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (June 10-14) nights.

Eastbound I-4 Exit 1 to 21st Street closed several nights

TAMPA -- The eastbound I-4 exit to 21st/22nd streets (Exit 1) will be closed between 11:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday (June 10-13) nights. Traffic will be detoured to Exit 3. From there, motorists can go south on 50th Street and then travel west on 7th Avenue or State Road 60 to 21st/22nd streets.

Westbound I-4 exit ramp to 22nd Street closed several nights

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- The westbound I-4 exit ramp to 22nd Street (Exit 1) will be closed between 11:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday (June 10-13) nights. 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.

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

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between 11:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday (June 10-13) nights. Motorists should use the 50th Street entrance to access westbound I-4 or enter I-275 from downtown.

Downtown traffic impacts Tuesday night on I-275 and I-4

TAMPA -- There will be traffic paces, lane closures, and ramp closures between 10:30 p.m. Tuesday (June 12) and 5:30 a.m. Wednesday (June 13) as follows:

- Entrance ramps to northbound I-275/eastbound I-4 from Ashley Drive and Jefferson Street will be closed. Use the left entrance 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 flyover bridge (Exit 45B) to eastbound I-4.

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 10-13) nights and between 9:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday (June 11-14).

Daytime lane closures on 14th Street at I-4

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- One lane may be closed on 14th Street in the I-4 area between 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (June 11-15).

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.

26th Street closed under I-4

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- 26th Street remains closed under I-4 (between Columbus Drive and the south side of I-4) until further notice. Southbound 26th Street is being detoured east on Columbus Drive, then south on 34th Street, then west on 7th Avenue back to 26th Street. Northbound 26th Street is being detoured east on 7th Avenue, then north on 34th Street, then west on 18th Avenue, which curves over onto 17th Avenue and continues west back to 26th Street.

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 11-15).

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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 11-15).

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 Wednesday nights (June 10-13).

Day lane closures June 9th on 50th Street near I-4

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in each direction of 50th Street from Columbus Drive to north of I-4 between 7 a.m. and 3 p.m. Saturday (June 9).

project news: Sunshine Skyway Bridge Painting

Night lane closures on Sunshine Skyway Bridge

ST. PETERSBURG -- One of two lanes may be closed on 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 75

Sunday night lane closures on southbound I-75

BRANDON -- Two lanes will be closed on southbound I-75 from Gibsonton Drive (Exit 250) to about one mile north of State Road 674/Sun City Center Blvd. (Exit 240) between 8 p.m. Sunday (June 10) and 5 a.m. Monday (June 11). Crews will be working on overhead sign structures.

Night lane closures on southbound I-75 in Pasco

WESLEY CHAPEL -- The right lane will be closed to install a new traffic sensor on southbound I-75 about one-half mile south of State Road 54 (Exit 279) between 9 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday nights (June 12-14).

Saturday morning lane closures on I-75

NEW TAMPA -- One of two lanes will be closed on northbound I-75 from south of Fowler Avenue (Exit 265) to north of Bruce B. Downs Blvd. (Exit 270) for survey operations between 6 a.m. and noon on Saturday, June 16. A southbound lane closure is planned for the same area and time on Saturday, June 23.

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

**MLK ramp to southbound I-75 closed weekend of June 8
and Wednesday and Thursday 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. Friday (June 8) to 6 a.m. Monday (June 11) and from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday (June 13 and 14) 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).

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 nights (June 10-14).

Eastbound I-4 ramp to southbound I-75 closed Sunday and Monday nights

BRANDON -- The eastbound I-4 (Exit 9) ramp to southbound I-75 will be closed from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday and Monday nights (June 10 and 11). Traffic will continue east to the next exit (County Road 579, Exit 10), where motorists will turn left at the top of the exit ramp onto CR 579, cross over I-4, then turn left and enter westbound I-4. Drivers can then take the next exit ramp (Exit 9) to I-75. Once on the ramp, drivers need to be in the left lane to take the ramp to southbound I-75.

Southbound I-75 Exit 260 to MLK to be closed Tuesday night

BRANDON -- The southbound I-75 exit ramp to State Road 574 (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd., Exit 260) will be closed from 8 p.m. Tuesday (June 12) to 6 a.m. Wednesday (June 13).

DETOUR: When Exit 260 is closed, traffic will be detoured to the next exit, which is State Road 60 (Exit 257). Motorists will exit to State Road 60 by getting in the right lane of the 3-lane left turn area of the ramp. From there, proceed under I-75 and take the first right to enter the ramp to northbound I-75. Proceed north and exit at either Exit 260A (eastbound on MLK/SR 574) or Exit 260B (westbound on MLK/SR 574).

Day lane closures on westbound MLK at I-75

BRANDON -- One lane will be closed on westbound Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (State Road 574) at I-75 between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday (June 11-15).

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

Night lane closures on Bruce B. Downs at I-75

NEW TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in each direction of Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581) at I-75 between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Wednesday (June 10-13) nights. There will also be brief traffic pacing led by law enforcement as a crane is moved.

project news: I-75 from I-275 to State Road 56 and I-275 from Bearss to I-75

Night lane closures on I-75 and I-275 near Hillsborough/Pasco line

TAMPA -- One of two lanes may be closed on northbound and southbound I-275 and I-75 between the very north end of I-275 and State Road 56 (I-75, Exit 275) Monday through Wednesday nights (June 11-13). Southbound closures will be from 8:30 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. each night; northbound closures will be from 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. nightly.

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

I-75 lane closures in Pasco County

SAN ANTONIO-- The left lane will be closed in each direction of 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 10-14) nights.

project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

TIA exit road to be closed very early Saturday morning, June 9

TAMPA -- Southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound roadway from Tampa International Airport) will be closed between 12:30 a.m. and 4:30 a.m. Saturday (June 9).

Traffic will be routed to the service roads 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.

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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.