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maintenance: I-275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge

Night lane closures on Skyway Bridge

ST. PETERSBURG -- One lane may be closed on northbound or southbound I-275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge from 7:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Monday through Thursday (July 21-24) nights.

maintenance: Interstate 275

Day lane closures on northbound I-275 on Howard Frankland Bridge

ST. PETERSBURG/TAMPA -- The right lane of northbound I-275 on the Howard Frankland Bridge may be closed between 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday through Friday (July 21 - 25). The closure will begin on the Pinellas County side of the bridge and end in Hillsborough County.

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

Northbound I-275 lane closures / traffic pacing at night

TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on northbound I-275 from Howard Avenue to Ashley Drive (Exit 44) between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (July 20 - 24) nights. Traffic pacing may also occur for all lanes of northbound I-275 from the Howard Frankland Bridge to Ashley Drive between 12 a.m. and 4 a.m. Monday through Wednesday (July 21 - 23) nights.

Night lane closures on Howard Avenue

TAMPA -- Traffic will be reduced to one lane on Howard Avenue from Arch Street to I-275 between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. Monday through Thursday (July 21 - 24) nights.

Night lane closures on Armenia Avenue

TAMPA -- Traffic will be reduced to one lane on Armenia Avenue from Green Street to La Salle Street between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. Monday through Thursday (July 21 - 24) nights.

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Doyle Carlton Drive may be closed under I-275 during the day

TAMPA -- Doyle Carlton Drive may be closed to traffic under I-275 intermittently between 7 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (July 21 - 25). Traffic will be detoured as follows:

Northbound: East on Laurel Street, south on Tampa Street, east on Fortune Street, north on Florida Avenue, then west on Henderson Avenue to Doyle Carlton.

Southbound: East on Henderson Avenue, south on Tampa Street, then west on Laurel Street.

Daytime lane closures on Himes Avenue

TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on northbound Himes Avenue near the entrance ramp to northbound I-275 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (July 21 - 25). Access to the entrance ramp will still be available.

Daytime lane closures on MacDill Avenue

TAMPA -- The right lane of northbound and southbound MacDill Avenue may be closed from La Salle Street to Green Street between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (July 21 - 25).

Night and day lane closures on Willow Avenue

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed on Willow Avenue under I-275 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (July 21 - 25) and from 7 p.m. Thursday (July 24) to 5 a.m. Friday (July 25). Workers will be flagging traffic.

Rome Avenue to be closed under I-275 two days

TAMPA -- Rome Avenue will be closed under I-275 between 6 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday and Tuesday (July 21 and 22).

DETOUR: Traffic will be detoured using Cypress Street, Willow Avenue, and Main Street.

North Boulevard closed at I-275

TAMPA -- North Boulevard is closed from the south side of I-275 to Main Street. The closure began April 18 and will last to approximately mid-August.

DETOURS: Traffic is being detoured using Cass Street, Willow Avenue, and Main Street back to North Boulevard. Truck traffic is being directed to Armenia Avenue (southbound route) and Howard Avenue (northbound route) instead of using Willow Avenue.

Closures on Green and Laurel streets

TAMPA -- Green Street remains closed from Laurel Street to North Boulevard until approximately mid-August. Local access to Presbyterian Village will be maintained. Laurel Street has been turned into two-way traffic between Green Street and North Boulevard for the detour.

project news: Interstate 4 Freeway Management System -- Hills./Polk counties

Night lane closures in Plant City on I-4

PLANT CITY -- The right lane may be closed on eastbound or westbound I-4 between Park Road (Exit 22) and Charlie Taylor Road (west of County Line Road, Exit 25) between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Monday through Thursday (July 21-24) nights.

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

Bruce B. Downs ramps to northbound I-75 to be closed two 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 (July 20) and Thursday (July 24) 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.

Bruce B. Downs closed at I-75 Monday night

NEW TAMPA -- Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581) will be closed under I-75 from 9 p.m. Monday (July 21) to 5 a.m. Tuesday (July 22). During the closure, no traffic will be able to pass under I-75. Motorists will be directed onto I-75 on either side of the interstate.

DETOUR: Enter I-75, exit at the next interchange (either SR 56 - Exit 275 or Fletcher Avenue - Exit 266), enter the other direction of I-75, and exit at Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (Exit 270).

I-75 detours at Bruce B. Downs Tuesday night

NEW TAMPA -- Both directions of I-75 will be closed over Bruce B. Downs Boulevard between 9 p.m. Tuesday (July 22) and 5 a.m. Wednesday (July 23).

DETOUR: Traffic will exit at Bruce B. Downs/CR 581 (Exit 270), cross Bruce B. Downs Boulevard, and re-enter the interstate using the entrance ramps.

Traffic may be slow in both directions of I-75 approaching this interchange, and motorists on Bruce B. Downs Boulevard may have lengthy delays as priority will be given to I-75 traffic crossing Bruce B. Downs. Law officers will handle traffic control where the ramps intersect Bruce B. Downs.

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

NEW TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on southbound (westbound) Bruce B. Downs Boulevard from Dona Michelle Drive to I-75 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday (July 23 and 24) nights.

project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

Lane closures and detours on State Road 60 near TIA

TAMPA -- Lane closures or complete closures of eastbound and/or westbound State Road 60/Memorial Highway may occur near the Spruce Street/Tampa International Airport (TIA) exit as needed Friday through Saturday (July 18 - 26). Lane closures will occur between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.; complete closures will happen between 12 a.m. and 4 a.m.

DETOUR for EASTBOUND SR 60 CLOSURE: 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.

DETOUR for WESTBOUND SR 60 CLOSURE: Northbound I-275 traffic will be directed off at Kennedy Boulevard (exit 39A). Southbound I-275 traffic will be directed to Exit 40A. All traffic will be directed north on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Spruce Street to westbound State Road 60 or Tampa International Airport.

Watch closely for lighted message signs on I-275 and State Road 60 that will state which directions are closed and guide you to the detour routes. You may also find specific night closings on myTBI.com as they are scheduled.

Night lane closures on SR 60 near I-275

TAMPA -- The right lane may be closed on eastbound or westbound State Road 60 between Cypress Street and I-275 between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Friday (July 20 - 25) nights.

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

TAMPA -- The right lane may be closed on westbound State Road 60 on the east end of the Courtney Campbell Parkway just west of the traffic signal to northbound Memorial Highway/Veterans Expressway between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Friday (July 20 - 25) nights.

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Night lane closures approaching Veterans

TAMPA -- One to two lanes may be closed on northbound Memorial Highway approaching the Veterans Expressway between 8:30 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (July 20 - 25) nights.

Night detours for SR 60 connection to Memorial/Veterans

TAMPA -- Traffic heading east or west on State Road 60 on the Courtney Campbell Parkway may be detoured at the traffic signal to northbound Memorial Highway/Veterans Expressway from 12 to 4 a.m. Monday through Saturday (July 21 - 26) mornings.

DETOUR: Eastbound traffic will be directed east to the Spruce Street exit, where it will u-turn at O'Brien Street, then enter westbound State Road 60 and continue to Memorial Highway or the Veterans Expressway. Westbound traffic will be detoured north to Independence Parkway, then north on George Street, then onto southbound Memorial Highway/Veterans Expressway to the ramp to westbound State Road 60 at the Courtney Campbell.

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