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*Motorist news for September 1-8, 2007*

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## GENERAL news

### No interstate lane closures over Labor 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 Labor Day holiday period from Friday afternoon (August 31) to Tuesday morning (September 4). Projects are expected to resume typical closure schedules on Tuesday.

## project news: I-175 from I-275 to 4th Street

### Daytime lane closures on I-175

ST. PETERSBURG -- One to two lanes will be closed on eastbound and/or westbound I-175 between I-275 and 4th Street between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (September 4-7). Lanes will be opened up at least one hour prior to Tampa Bay Devil Rays' games.

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### Daytime 6th Street entrance ramp closure on westbound I-175

ST. PETERSBURG -- The 6th Street entrance ramp onto westbound I-175 may be closed between 8 a.m. and 8 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (September 4-7).

## 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 or southbound I-275 on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Saturday nights (September 4-8).

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**project news: I-275 from 26th Avenue S. to 5th Avenue S.**

**Day lane closures on southbound I-275**

ST. PETERSBURG -- One of three lanes will be closed on southbound I-275 between 28th Street South and 26th Avenue South between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (September 4-7).

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

**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. Tuesday through Friday (September 4-7). Traffic will be controlled by flag persons.

**project news: Interstate 4 through Ybor City**

**Lane closures and traffic pacing on westbound I-4 two nights**

TAMPA (Ybor City)-- Three of four lanes will be closed on westbound I-4 from west of 50th Street to west of 21st Street between 11:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday (September 4 and 5) nights. Traffic will also be slowed and paced by law enforcement officers at least two times Wednesday night into Thursday morning on westbound I-4 between Orient Road and I-275 as crews erect a sign structure across the interstate. Motorists can expect delays up to 30 minutes and may want to choose an alternate route.

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**Thursday night lane closures on eastbound I-4**

TAMPA (Ybor City) -- Two of four lanes will be closed on eastbound I-4 from 14th Street to 34th Street between 11:30 p.m. Thursday (Sept. 6) and 5:30 a.m. Friday (Sept. 7).

**project news: I-4 Freeway Management System**

**Lane closures on westbound I-4 in Plant City Thursday night**

PLANT CITY -- Two of three lanes will be closed on westbound I-4 between Thonotosassa Road (Exit 19) and Branch Forbes Road (Exit 17) between 10 p.m. Thursday (Sept. 6) and 6 a.m. Friday (Sept. 7) for work on an overhead sign structure.

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

**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. Tuesday through Thursday (September 4-6) nights.

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### **Lane closures on MLK at I-75 Tuesday night**

BRANDON -- One lane may be closed in each direction of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard (State Road 574) over I-75 between 8 p.m. Tuesday (Sept. 4) and 6 a.m. Wednesday (Sept. 5).

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### **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 (Sept. 4) to 6 a.m. Wednesday (Sept. 5).

DETOUR: 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. Go north and exit at either Exit 260A (eastbound on MLK/SR 574) or Exit 260B (westbound on MLK/SR 574).

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### **Eastbound I-4 ramp to southbound I-75 closed Wednesday and Thursday nights**

BRANDON -- The eastbound I-4 (Exit 9) ramp to southbound I-75 will be closed from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday nights (September 5 and 6). 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.

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

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

NEW TAMPA -- The left lane will be closed on northbound I-75 at the Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) interchange from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (September 4-6) nights.

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

NEW TAMPA -- The right lane (of two lanes) 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. Tuesday through Thursday (September 4-6) nights.

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

### **Night lane closures on Courtney Campbell Causeway**

TAMPA -- The left lane will be closed on both eastbound and westbound State Road 60 on the Courtney Campbell Causeway west of Bayport Drive from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Friday (September 4-7) nights.

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**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. Wednesday through Saturday (September 5-8) mornings. Traffic will be detoured south on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Kennedy Boulevard (westbound SR 60).

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**TIA exit road to be closed very early Wednesday through Saturday 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. Wednesday through Saturday (September 5-8) 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 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.

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**Lane to be closed on TIA exit road at night**

TAMPA -- One of three lanes will be closed on southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound roadway from Tampa International Airport) between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Wednesday through Friday (September 5-7) nights.

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**Lane to be closed on TIA entrance road at night**

TAMPA -- One of two lanes will be closed on northbound George Bean Parkway (entrance roadway to Tampa International Airport) between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m. Wednesday through Saturday (September 5-8) nights.