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## Project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

### Traffic shift this weekend on Courtney Campbell

TAMPA -- All eastbound State Road 60 traffic on the east end of the Courtney Campbell Parkway will be shifted to the bridge over Bayport Drive (Hyatt) Saturday night (December 6) into Sunday morning (December 7). The only major change for drivers will be the exit to Bayport Drive (Hyatt). The new exit will be west of Bayport Drive, before traffic travels up the incline to the bridge. All motorists should be cautious traveling through this area as drivers become accustomed to the changes.

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### Ramp from Cypress Street to southbound I-275 closed early mornings

TAMPA -- The entrance ramp to southbound I-275 from Cypress Street may be closed from 12:01 a.m. to 4 a.m. Friday through Sunday (December 5 - 14) mornings. DETOUR: East on Cypress to Westshore Boulevard, south on Westshore Boulevard, then west on Kennedy Boulevard to the southbound ramp near Westshore Plaza.

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### Lane closures and detours on State Road 60 near TIA

TAMPA -- Westbound 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) interchange as needed Friday through Saturday (December 5 - 13) nights. Westbound lane closures will be between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m.; complete closures with detours will be between 10:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. Watch closely for lighted message signs alerting of the closures and to guide you to the detours.

DETOUR for EASTBOUND SR 60 CLOSURE: Traffic will be directed off at the Spruce Street/TIA exit, 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.

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**Lane closures on Cypress Street**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in each direction of Cypress Street under State Road 60 from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday through Saturday (December 5 – 13) and from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Friday through Saturday (December 5 -13) nights. Also, watch for flagging operations during the night work.

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**Eastbound SR 60 exit to Spruce Street closed at night**

TAMPA -- The eastbound State Road 60/Memorial Highway exit to Spruce Street may be closed between 10:30 p.m. and 5 a.m. Friday through Saturday (December 5 -13) nights. 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.

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**TIA exit road may be closed very early mornings**

TAMPA -- Southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound roadway from Tampa International Airport) may be closed between 12:30 a.m. and 5 a.m. Friday through Sunday (December 5 - 14) mornings. Traffic will be routed to the service roads, then out to Spruce Street at the O'Brien Street intersection. Depending on the destination, traffic will then be routed to I-275 or State Road 60 using local roads including Spruce Street, O'Brien Street, Cypress Street, and Westshore Boulevard.

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**Night lane closures on TPA exit road**

TAMPA -- One of two lanes may be closed on southbound George Bean Parkway (outbound roadway from Tampa International Airport) between 11 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Sunday through Saturday (December 7 - 13) nights.

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**Lane closures on SR 60 near I-275**

TAMPA -- One to two lanes may be closed on eastbound State Road 60 / southbound Memorial Highway from Cypress Street to I-275 between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Friday through Saturday (December 5 – 13) nights.

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**Night lane closures on east end of Courtney Campbell**

TAMPA -- One to two lanes may be closed on eastbound and/or westbound State Road 60 on the Courtney Campbell Parkway between Rocky Point and Memorial Highway from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Friday through Saturday (December 5 -- 13) nights.

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**Flagging operations at eastbound State Road 60 / Bayport Drive**

TAMPA -- Traffic may be flagged around-the-clock from 6 a.m. Sunday (December 7) to 6 a.m. the following Sunday (December 14) at the intersection of Bayport Drive and eastbound State Road 60 on the Courtney Campbell Parkway.

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**SR 60 / Memorial ramp to southbound I-275 closed weekend of December 13**

TAMPA -- The ramp from eastbound State Road 60/southbound Memorial Highway to southbound I-275 (Howard Frankland Bridge) will be closed from 12:01 a.m. Saturday (December 13) to 5 a.m. Monday (December 15). DETOUR: Continue under I-275, turn right onto Kennedy Boulevard (across from Westshore Plaza) and use that entrance ramp to southbound I-275.

**maintenance: Sunshine Skyway Bridge**

**Night lane closures on the Sunshine Skyway Bridge**

ST. PETERSBURG -- The right lane of northbound and southbound I-275 on the main span of the Sunshine Skyway Bridge will be closed between 8 p.m. Monday (December 8) and 4 a.m. Tuesday (December 9). Crews will be doing maintenance work on cameras. Between 7:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Monday and Tuesday (December 8 and 9) nights, crews will have single lane closures on the low level sections for inspection tests.

**maintenance: Interstate 275**

**Monday night lane closures on I-275**

ST. PETERSBURG/TAMPA -- Intermittent single-lane closures will take place between 8 p.m. Monday (December 8) and 4 a.m. Tuesday (December 9) in various locations in both directions of I-275 between 54th Avenue North (Exit 26) and the Howard Frankland Bridge and from Ashley Drive (Exit 44) to north of Bearss Avenue (Exit 53). Crews will be doing maintenance on overhead electronic signs.

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**Night lane closures on I-275 at 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue North**

ST. PETERSBURG -- Intermittent lane closures on northbound I-275 over 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue North will take place between 9 p.m. Monday (December 8) and 5 a.m. Tuesday (December 9). On Tuesday night during the same hours, the right two lanes will be closed on southbound I-275 at the same location. Crews will be repairing bridge joints.

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**Night lane closures on southbound I-275 at 31st Street South**

ST. PETERSBURG -- Intermittent lane closures will take place between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. Wednesday and Thursday (December 10 and 11) nights on southbound I-275 over 31<sup>st</sup> Street South. Crews will be repairing bridge joints.

**Project news: Interstate 275 Box Culvert Outfall**

**Monday night lane closures on Westshore Boulevard at I-275**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in each direction of Westshore Boulevard at I-275 from 8:30 p.m. Monday (December 8) to 6 a.m. Tuesday (December 9).

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**Tuesday night lane closures at Cypress and Clark streets**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in each direction of Cypress Street at Clark Street and no traffic will be allowed to enter or exit Clark Street at that intersection from 8:30 p.m. Tuesday (December 9) to 6 a.m. Wednesday (December 10).

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

**Northbound I-275 lane closures near Himes Avenue**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on northbound I-275 near Himes Avenue from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 7 - 11) nights.

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**I-275 lane closures at night**

TAMPA -- Two lanes will be closed in each direction of I-275 from Howard Avenue (Exit 42) to Ashley Drive (Exit 44) from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday and Monday (December 7 and 8) nights. One lane will be closed on northbound I-275 in that area Tuesday through Thursday (December 9 - 11) nights.

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**Traffic to be paced early December 9 on northbound I-275 towards downtown**

TAMPA -- Traffic will be paced slowly on northbound I-275 from the Howard Frankland Bridge to Ashley Drive (Exit 44) between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Tuesday, December 9. The pace will last about 20 minutes, during which all ramps along the route entering northbound I-275 will be closed until the front of the pacing operation passes. Crews will be installing an overhead sign structure.

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**Half of I-275 Exit 44 to be closed at night**

TAMPA -- The northbound I-275 exit ramps to Ashley Drive and Scott Street may alternately close between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 7 -11) nights.

Detour when Scott Street exit (left half of Exit 44) is closed: Traffic will be detoured to Ashley Drive (right ramp of Exit 44), then east on Cass Street, then north on Florida Avenue to Scott Street.

Detour when Ashley Drive exit (right half of Exit 44) is closed: Traffic will be detoured to Scott Street, then south on Tampa Street, then west on Tyler Street to Ashley Drive.

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**Day lane closures on Himes Avenue**

TAMPA -- The right lane may be closed on southbound Himes Avenue from Green Street to La Salle Street (under I-275) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 8 – 12).

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**Lanes closed during day on Mac Dill Avenue**

TAMPA -- The right lane may be closed on southbound Mac Dill Avenue from Green Street to La Salle Street (under I-275) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 8 – 12).

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**Day lane closures on North Boulevard at I-275**

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in each direction of North Boulevard between La Salle Street and Green Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 8 - 12).

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**Day lane closures on Green Street**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on Green Street between Laurel Street and North Boulevard from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 8 – 12).

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**Doyle Carlton Drive to be closed under I-275**

TAMPA -- Doyle Carlton Drive may be closed to traffic under I-275 anytime between 12:01 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday (December 8 - 12). Traffic will be detoured as follows:

Northbound: East on Laurel Street, north on Ashley Drive, east on Scott Street, north on Franklin Street, then west on Henderson Avenue to Doyle Carlton.

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

**maintenance: Interstate 4**

**Monday night lane closures on I-4**

TAMPA -- Intermittent single-lane closures will take place between 8 p.m. Monday (December 8) and 4 a.m. Tuesday (December 9) in various locations in both directions of I-4 from east of 50th Street (Exit 3) to east of County Road 579 (Exit 10). Crews will be doing maintenance on overhead electronic signs.

**Project news: Interstate 4 Resurfacing from 50<sup>th</sup> Street to McIntosh Road**

**Night lane closures on I-4 between Exits 3 and 6**

TAMPA -- Single lane closures will occur on eastbound and westbound I-4 between 50<sup>th</sup> Street (Exit 3) and Orient Road (Exit 6) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Friday (December 8 - 12) nights. Crews will be milling and resurfacing travel lanes.

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

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

NEW TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on southbound I-75 from Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (County Road 581, Exit 270) to the Hillsborough River (about 3 miles south of Bruce B. Downs) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Friday through Wednesday (December 5 - 10) nights.