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Holiday travel news

No closures over Memorial Day holiday weekend

TAMPA/ST. PETERSBURG -- No lane closures are scheduled on the interstate system in the construction zones in Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas counties during the Memorial Day holiday period from Friday afternoon (May 22) through Tuesday morning (May 26).

Project news: Tampa Airport Interchanges (State Road 60)

Detours on eastbound or westbound State Road 60 near TPA

TAMPA -- Eastbound or westbound State Road 60/Memorial Highway may be closed near the Spruce Street/Tampa International Airport (TPA) interchange as needed Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights. Eastbound closures will happen between 10:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m.; westbound closures will occur between 11:30 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/TPA exit, continue east on Spruce St. to Westshore Blvd., then south on Westshore Blvd. to Cypress St., northbound I-275, or Kennedy Blvd. To access southbound I-275, continue south on Westshore Blvd., then turn right onto Kennedy Blvd., continue west and use the entrance ramp on the west side of Westshore Plaza.
- DETOUR for WESTBOUND SR 60 CLOSURE: Traffic will be directed off at the Spruce Street exit, then u-turn at O'Brien Street and use the westbound Spruce Street entrance ramp to westbound SR 60.

Traffic to be paced on westbound SR 60 / I-275 approaching TPA

TAMPA -- Traffic will be paced two times for about 10 minutes each between 12:01 a.m. and 4 a.m. Wednesday (May 27) on westbound State Road 60 / northbound Memorial Highway approaching the Courtney Campbell Parkway. The pacing will begin on northbound I-275 near the Howard Frankland Bridge; on southbound I-275 it will begin at Dale Mabry Highway, and on westbound SR 60 / northbound Memorial Highway the pacing will begin on Kennedy Boulevard

on the west side of Westshore Plaza. Entrance ramps onto the highways will be blocked until the front of the paving operation passes a given ramp. Motorists should expect periodic slow traffic.

Lane closures on eastbound SR 60 approaching I-275

TAMPA -- The right lane will 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. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights.

Lane closures on westbound SR 60 at I-275

TAMPA -- The right lane will be closed on westbound State Road 60 / northbound Memorial Highway at I-275 between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights.

SR 60 / Memorial ramp to southbound I-275 closed at night

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. to 4 a.m. Wednesday through Sunday (May 27 - 31) mornings. DETOUR: Continue under I-275, turn right onto Kennedy Boulevard (across from Westshore Plaza) and use that entrance ramp to southbound I-275.

Night lane closures on westbound SR 60 entering the Courtney Campbell

TAMPA -- One to two lanes (of 3 lanes) will be closed on westbound State Road 60 / Memorial Highway going onto the Courtney Campbell Parkway between 8:30 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights.

Night lane closures on eastbound and westbound Courtney Campbell

TAMPA -- One to two lanes will be closed on eastbound and westbound State Road 60 on the Courtney Campbell Parkway from Memorial Highway to Rocky Point Drive from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights.

Eastbound and westbound Courtney Campbell to be detoured at night

TAMPA -- Eastbound State Road 60 traffic on the Courtney Campbell Parkway continuing east towards Spruce Street, Tampa International Airport and I-275 may be detoured from 12 a.m. to 4 a.m. Wednesday through Sunday (May 27 - 31) mornings as crews do bridge work over the road. DETOUR: Traffic will be directed north on Memorial Highway to the Independence Parkway exit, north on George Road, then east and south on Memorial Highway to eastbound State Road 60.

Westbound State Road 60 / northbound Memorial Highway traffic going onto the Courtney Campbell Parkway may also be detoured these same mornings and times. DETOUR: Continue north, exit to Independence Parkway, go north on George Road, then east and south on Memorial Highway to the westbound State Road 60 exit towards Clearwater.

Flagging operations on eastbound SR 60 access road to Bayport Drive

TAMPA -- Traffic may be controlled by flaggers on the eastbound State Road 60 access road to Bayport Drive (Grand Hyatt) from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31).

TPA entrance road to be closed at night

TAMPA -- George Bean Parkway (roadway into Tampa International Airport) may be closed between 11:30 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights. DETOUR: Take the ramp split onto eastbound Spruce Street. Get into the left lane, u-turn at the traffic signal at O'Brien Street, and then use the westbound Spruce Street ramp into the airport.

Night lane closures on Spruce Street near TPA

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed on westbound Spruce Street and one to two lanes on eastbound Spruce Street between O'Brien Street and State Road 60 from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights.

Lane closures on Cypress Street

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in each direction of Cypress Street under State Road 60 from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31). These lanes may also be closed from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. these same nights.

Lane closures on O'Brien Street at Spruce Street

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed in either direction of O'Brien Street at Spruce Street from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Tuesday through Sunday (May 26 - 31) nights.

Project news: Interstate 275 Box Culvert Outfall

Lane to be closed on Kennedy Blvd. entrance to southbound I-275

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on the Kennedy Boulevard entrance ramp onto southbound Interstate 275 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (May 26 - 29).

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

I-275 lane closures near downtown

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed on northbound I-275 between Howard Avenue (Exit 42) and Ashley Drive/Scott Street (Exit 44) from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (May 26 - 28) nights.

Night lane closure on frontage road between Armenia and Howard

TAMPA -- One of two lanes will be closed on the eastbound frontage road between Armenia and Howard avenues at I-275 between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (May 26 - 28) nights.

Lane and complete closures of Mac Dill Avenue at I-275

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in each direction of Mac Dill Avenue from La Salle Street to Green Street (under I-275) from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (May 26 - 28) nights. One lane may also be closed in each direction between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (May 26 - 29).

All lanes may be closed on Mac Dill Avenue from La Salle Street to Green Street (under I-275) for bridge work from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. these same nights. DETOUR: Mac Dill Avenue traffic will be detoured around the closure area using Cypress Street, Armenia Avenue (southbound) or Howard Avenue (northbound), and Main Street back to Mac Dill Avenue.

Flagging during the day on Rome and Willow avenues at I-275

TAMPA -- Traffic may be controlled by flaggers on Rome Avenue and Willow Avenue between Green and La Salle streets (under I-275) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (May 26 - 29).

Night and day lane closures on North Boulevard at I-275

TAMPA -- One of two lanes may be closed in each direction of North Boulevard between Green and La Salle streets from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (May 26 - 29) and from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (May 26 - 28) nights.

Night and day lane closures on Green Street in two locations

TAMPA -- The left lane will be closed on Green Street between Howard and Armenia avenues (north of I-275) from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (May 26 - 28) nights. One lane will also be closed on Green Street under I-275 (between Laurel Street and North Boulevard) from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (May 26 - 29).

Flagging operations during day on Doyle Carlton Drive under I-275

TAMPA -- Traffic may be controlled by flaggers on Doyle Carlton Drive under I-275 between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday (May 26 - 29).

Project news: Interstate 4 Resurfacing from 50th Street to McIntosh Road

Night lane and ramp closures on I-4

TAMPA -- Crews will be milling and resurfacing travel lanes in both directions of I-4 from east of 50th Street (Exit 3) to east of County Road 579 (Exit 10) between 8 p.m. and 6:30 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday (May 26 - 28) nights. There may also be ramp closures these nights at several interchanges. A ramp closure schedule will be posted on the myTBI.com web site, along with the detour routes by Tuesday afternoon, May 26. The schedule may be altered due to weather or other issues -- *check myTBI.com daily for schedule changes and detour routes.*

Project news: Tampa Bay SunGuide on Interstate 4 from Park Road to U.S. Highway 27

Tuesday night lane closure on eastbound I-4 between Exits 33 and 38

LAKELAND -- The right lane will be closed on eastbound I-4 between Exit 33 (SR 33/CR 582-Socrum Loop Road) and Exit 38 (SR 33) between 9 p.m. Tuesday (May 26) and 6 a.m. Wednesday (May 27).

Project news: Interstate 75 Interchange at County Road 54

Night lane closures on I-75 near CR 54

WESLEY CHAPEL -- One of two lanes will be closed on northbound or southbound I-75 from north of the rest areas to just north of County Road 54 (Exit 279) between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. Tuesday through Friday (May 26 - 29) nights.

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