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DISTRICT ONE DISTRICTWIDE ROADWATCH REPORT #51 FOR WEEK OF DECEMBER 23, 2018

District One is 12 counties: Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Lee, Manatee, Okeechobee, Polk and Sarasota

Motorists are reminded to wear safety belts and drive with caution, courtesy, common sense, and patience as they travel through work zones. Remember, speeding fines are doubled in work zones.

As a reminder, travelers can visit www.FL511.com or dial “511” from their phone to learn about traffic conditions on major roadways across the state.

If you know before you go, you can plan accordingly and save time and money.

CHARLOTTE COUNTY

US 17 from US 41 to Sullivan Street: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect the outside eastbound lane closed until further notice, while crews repair drainage under the roadway, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution and expect delays.

COLLIER COUNTY

US 41 from Shadowlawn Drive to Commercial Drive: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays, while crews perform underground utility work, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

US 41 from Golden Gate Parkway to Orchid Drive: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays, while crews replace a driveway, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

US 41 from Tamiami Trail East to Lakewood Boulevard: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent westbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays, while crews replace sidewalk, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

US 41 from Pine Ridge Road to Sandpine Drive: Construction project: Crews will be placing sidewalk, drainage structures and lighting on the east side of US 41. Crews will also resurface the intersection of US 41 and Pelican Bay Boulevard. Work occurs during daytime and nighttime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures through the duration of the project during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.** Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is end of 2018. The contractor is American Lighting & Signalization, Inc.

US 41 from Habitat Drive to SR 951/Collier Boulevard: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent southbound lane closures during daytime hours weekdays, while crews perform underground utility work, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

US 41 from SR 951/Collier Boulevard to Manatee Road: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during daytime hours weekdays, while crews construct a turn lane, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 84/Davis Boulevard at New Hope Ministries Church: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent westbound lane closures during daytime hours weekdays, while crews update pedestrian areas near the roadway, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 29 from South 7th Street to South 2nd Street: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound lane closures during daytime hours, while crews make water main connections, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

8th Street NE from Golden Gate Boulevard to Randall Boulevard: Construction project: This project constructs a new bridge over the Cypress Canal. Crews will also widen existing lanes, add sidewalk to the west side of the roadway and improve drainage throughout the project area. **Work will occur during daytime hours. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Local area residents will have access at all times.** Motorists and pedestrians should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is spring 2019. The contractor is Bergeron Land Development, Inc.

DESOTO COUNTY

- None at this time.

GLADES COUNTY

SR 78 from Buckhead Ridge to just west of the Kissimmee River: Maintenance permit project: Crews will be repairing guardrails near the roadway from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near and on the roadway.

HARDEE COUNTY

US 17 from north of 3rd Street East to the RV Park Entrance in Zolfo Springs: Construction project: There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays. Watch for workers close to the road and trucks entering and leaving the roadway. Most additional work will occur after the first of the year. This project includes milling and resurfacing, drainage improvements, curb and gutter, signing and pavement marking and signalization. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida LLC. Expected completion is Fall 2019.

SR 64 from Manatee County Line to West Main Street in Wauchula: Construction project: There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays. This project includes milling and resurfacing, shoulder work, drainage improvements, signing and pavement marking. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida LLC. Expected completion is Fall 2019.

HENDRY COUNTY

SR 80 at Riverbend RV Park: Maintenance permit project: Crews will be installing underground utilities near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 80 from Dalton Lane to CR 833: Construction project: Crews will widen approximately 11 miles of roadway from two to four lanes and add new turning lanes. Additional work includes repaving the current lanes of SR 80 and constructing ten new bridges. Three of the bridges will require full demolition and removal of the existing bridges in order to construct the new ones. Work also includes drainage improvements, adding curb and gutter, and installing LED lighting. Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is summer 2020. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida.

SR 80 from the Lee County line to Cowboy Way: Maintenance permit project: Crews will be installing underground utilities near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 80 from Birchwood Drive to Collingswood Boulevard: Maintenance permit project: Crews will be landscaping near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 29/Bridge Street at LaBelle Drawbridge over the Caloosahatchee River: Construction project: Crews will repair and rehabilitate the LaBelle drawbridge by strengthening the steel and concrete beams. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures on the bridge over the Caloosahatchee River during overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Crews will be utilizing the existing traffic signals to allow vehicles to pass through the construction project. Please follow the signs and signals when approaching the bridge.** If a full bridge closure is required, message boards will be in place to notify drivers of the closures and detour routes. The full bridge closure hours will be from Friday at 10 p.m. to Monday at 6 a.m. only. There will be limited pedestrian access on the bridge. Please allow extra travel time and watch for construction crews in the work zone. Estimated completion is early 2019. The contractor is Seacoast, Inc.

SR 29 from the LaBelle Draw Bridge to the Glades County line: Maintenance project: Crews will be landscaping and tree trimming near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 29 from G Road to the Townsend Canal: Maintenance project: Crews will be cleaning drainage structures near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

HIGHLANDS COUNTY

US 98 at Garden Terrace in Spring Lake: Maintenance permit project: Crews are constructing a new treatment plant including a new driveway connection to US 98. Watch for workers close to the roadway with shoulder closures. Watch for trucks and equipment entering and leaving the roadway.

US 98 from Ashton to Oak Avenue: Maintenance contracts project: Crews will be cleaning out drainage culverts on US 98 from Ashton Drive to Oak Avenue. Watch for temporary daytime shoulder closures. Use caution and be prepared to stop. There will be trucks and equipment entering and leaving the roadway. This project is scheduled from November 19 through end of December.

US 98 from US 27 to Ashton Drive: Maintenance contracts project: Crews will be replacing drainage culverts on US 98 from US 27 to Ashton Drive. Watch for temporary daytime shoulder closures. Crews will be replacing driveway pipes and repairing damaged concrete around pipes. This will ensure drainage is functioning properly and failing pipes are being maintained. Use caution and be prepared to stop. Watch for trucks and equipment entering and leaving the roadway. This project is scheduled from November 19 through the end of December.

US 27 from West Townsend Street to Batts Street and on SR 64 from US 27 to Self Avenue:

Construction project: Crews are replacing existing roadway with concrete pavement on US 27 southbound from West Pleasant Street to Paulk Street, US 27 northbound from Dyal Street to West Hill Street, and on SR 64 from Self Avenue to US 27. The contractor is also milling and resurfacing the existing roadway on US 27 from West Townsend Street to Batts Street and on SR 64 from Collier Avenue to Self Avenue, installing curb and gutter, installing traffic separators, sidewalks, traffic signals, street lights, and signing and pavement markers. A single continuous lane closure on US 27 will be in place during intersection construction.

- All US 27 traffic lanes have shifted eastward and reduced to two lanes in each direction.
- North Hart Avenue on westbound SR 64 is closed to traffic. Please follow detour signs and watch for workers in the construction zone.
- The SR 64 eastbound traffic lane has shifted temporarily to the right. Please use caution through this area and watch for workers in the construction zone.
- SR 64 westbound traffic has shifted to the south onto the newly constructed concrete road. Please use caution through this area and watch for workers in the construction zone.

Additional lane closures, single-lane flagging operations, and temporary lane shifts will occur during nighttime/overnight hours on US 27 and SR 64. The contractor is Concrete Services, LLC. Estimated project completion date is early 2020.

US 17 (Lakeview Drive) between Mellow Lane and Kenilworth Boulevard: Maintenance permit project: Watch for southbound lane closures with traffic using the center turn lane as crews relocate existing cables and remove old power poles. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site. Use caution and watch for crews working close to the roadway.

SR 70 from US 27 to CR 721: Maintenance project: Crews will perform weed control and tree trimming along the guardrail in this area. Motorists should use caution and expect intermittent lane closures eastbound and westbound from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

SR 70 at Bony Lane: Maintenance permit project: Crews are constructing a new driveway connection to SR 70. Watch for workers close to the roadway with shoulder closures. Watch for trucks and equipment entering and leaving the roadway.

SR 70 near the DeSoto County line: Maintenance permit project: Crews will be installing utility poles at the back of the right-of-way. Motorists should use caution and watch for crews working on SR 70 from the DeSoto County line to US 27.

SR 66 from US 27 to CR 635: Maintenance project: Crews will be cleaning ditches along SR 66 from US 27 to CR 635. Motorists should expect intermittent east and westbound lane closures on SR 66 Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please use caution and watch for crews working close to the roadway.

SR 66 at Orange Blossom Blvd. & SR 66 at Payne Road: Construction Project: Watch for workers close to the road as crews will install construction signs and erosion control devices. There are no other planned activities on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays. This project consists of widening, base work, milling and resurfacing, drainage, and signing and pavement markings. The contractor is Lynch Paving and Construction Co. Inc. Expected completion is spring 2019.

SR 17 from North of Arbuckle Creek Road to north of Rialto Avenue: Construction project: There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays. This project includes widening to add a southbound left turn lane from SR 17 to Arbuckle Creek Road, milling and resurfacing from Arbuckle Creek Road to Rialto Avenue and 300 feet of Arbuckle Creek Road, shoulder work, curb and gutter and signing and pavement markings. The contractor is Lynch Paving and Construction Co. Expected completion is spring 2019.

LEE COUNTY

Jeffcott Street from US 41 to SR 739/Fowler Street: Construction project: Crews are constructing sidewalk on the south side of Jeffcott Street. **Work will occur during daytime hours. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.** Motorists and pedestrians should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is early 2019. The contractor is Blacktip Services, Inc.

Taylor Lane from Delaware Road to Lee Boulevard: Construction project: Crews will be placing sidewalk and drainage structures. Work occurs during daytime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures through the duration of the project from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m.** Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is end of 2018. The contractor is V & H Construction, Inc.

State Roadways (US 41, SR 31, SR 78, SR 80, SR 82, SR 739, SR 865 and SR 867): Maintenance contract project: Crews are sweeping curb and gutter on state roadways and bridges. Motorists should expect lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m., weather permitting. Motorists should expect slow moving traffic and possible delays.

US 41/Cleveland Avenue from Winkler Avenue to SR 82/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard: Construction project: Crews will be installing and relocating utilities and constructing medians on US 41 from Winkler Avenue to SR 82.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures and detours on US 41 during daytime and nighttime/overnight hours Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather permitting.**

Additional work includes installing drainage structures, pedestrian signals, upgrading signals and lighting, and resurfacing existing highway. The project will be constructed in three segments. Each segment will have the majority of construction completed prior to moving to the next segment. Construction will begin on the first segment from Winkler Avenue to Carrell Road. Crews will work on the west side of the road initially and when that work is completed, they will shift to the east side of US 41. The expected project completion date is the end of spring 2022. The Contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

US 41 from Playa Del Sol Boulevard to Business 41: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Friday while crews construct turn lanes, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

US 41 from Marsh Landing Boulevard to Fountain Lakes Boulevard: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Friday while crews construct turn lanes, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

US 41 from Alico Road to Daniels Parkway: Construction project: Crews are improving approximately four miles of US 41. The project includes signal upgrades at various intersections, milling and resurfacing, miscellaneous shoulder widening, and improved pedestrian and bus access at multiple locations. Motorists should be aware of trucks entering and exiting the roadway. Estimated project completion is spring 2019. The contractor is Preferred Materials, Inc.

US 41 from Western Acres Boulevard to the Lee/Charlotte County line: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Friday for crews to construct turn lanes, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution and expect delays as crews work near the roadway.

SR 884/Colonial Boulevard from Challenger Boulevard to Winkler Avenue: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent outside eastbound lane closures during daytime hours Monday through Friday for crews to pour a driveway apron, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution and expect delays as crews work near the roadway.

SR 867/McGregor Boulevard from River Court to Winkler Road: Construction project: Crews will be repairing and replacing sidewalk, improving drainage, performing shoulder work, and making utility adjustments. Work occurs during daytime and nighttime hours. **Lane closures may occur during daytime and nighttime hours.** Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is end of 2018. The contractor is V & H Construction, Inc.

SR 867/McGregor Boulevard from Royal Palm Square to Colonial Boulevard: Construction project: Crews will be placing sidewalk, drainage structures and lighting along SR 867. Crews will also resurface the roadway. Work occurs during daytime and nighttime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent outside lane closures through the duration of the project during nighttime/overnight hours from 6:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.** Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is spring 2019. The contractor is American Lighting & Signalization, Inc.

SR 867/McGregor Boulevard from Tanglewood Parkway to Brentwood Parkway: Construction project: Crews will be placing sidewalk, drainage structures and lighting along SR 867. Crews will also resurface the roadway. Work occurs during daytime and nighttime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures through the duration of the project during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.** Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is spring 2019. The contractor is American Lighting & Signalization, Inc.

SR 867/McGregor Boulevard at College Parkway: Construction project: Crews will be placing sidewalk, drainage structures and lighting along SR 867. Crews will also resurface the roadway. Work occurs during daytime and nighttime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent outside lane closures through the duration of the project during nighttime/overnight hours from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.** Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is spring 2019. The contractor is American Lighting & Signalization, Inc.

SR 867/McGregor Boulevard at Colonial Boulevard: Construction project: Crews will be placing sidewalk, drainage structures and lighting along SR 867. Crews will also resurface the roadway. Work occurs during daytime and nighttime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent outside lane closures through the duration of the project during nighttime/overnight hours from 6:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.** Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is spring 2019. The contractor is American Lighting & Signalization, Inc.

SR 867/McGregor Boulevard from Winkler Road to Whiskey Creek: Construction project: Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during daytime and nighttime hours while crews replace sidewalk, improve drainage and make utility adjustments. Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated completion is end of 2018. The contractor is V & H Construction, Inc.

SR 865/Six Mile Cypress Parkway at US 41: Construction project: Crews will widen existing lanes, signalization improvements, add sidewalk to the north side of the SR 865 roadway and improve drainage throughout the project area. **Work will occur during daytime and nighttime hours. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures from 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m.** Motorists and pedestrians should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is early 2019. The contractor is Wright Construction Group.

SR 739/Park Avenue/Evans Avenue from Third Street to First Street: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours, Monday through Friday, while crews repave the roadway, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 739/Fowler Street from First Street to Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., Boulevard: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours, Monday through Friday, while crews repave the roadway, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 739/Business 41 from SR 78/Bayshore Road to West North Shore Avenue: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours, Monday through Friday, while crews repave the roadway, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 82 from Lee Boulevard/Colonial Boulevard to Shawnee Road: Construction project: Crews are widening SR 82 to six lanes from east of Lee Boulevard to Shawnee Road.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound and westbound lane closures on SR 82 during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather permitting.**
- **Wallace Avenue is closed TEMPORARILY through Friday, January 12.**
- **Meadow Road at the Butterfly Canal is closed TEMPORARILY through Thursday, January 3, 2019.**
- **Meadow Road at Gunnery Road is PERMANENTLY closed.**

- **A temporary traffic signal has been installed at the intersection of Ray Avenue South and Griffin Drive. Motorists should use caution while driving in this area.**

Additional work includes construction of a median separating three 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, 6.5-foot inside paved shoulders, bike lanes, a 5-foot sidewalk on the north side and a 10-foot shared-use path on the south side. The project will also add a grass median and LED lighting throughout this segment. The project also includes constructing Florida's first Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI) at the intersection of SR 82 at Daniels Parkway/Gunnery Road. The CFI will ease traffic congestion at the intersection and include multiple signals to reduce turning delays. The expected completion date is end of summer of 2019. The Contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

SR 82 from Alabama Road to the Lee/Hendry County line: Construction project: Crews will be widening SR 82 to four lanes from Alabama Road to the Lee/Hendry County line.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound and westbound lane closures on SR 82 during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather permitting.**

Additional work includes construction of a median separating two 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, 6.5-foot inside paved shoulders, bike lanes, a 5-foot sidewalk on the north side and a 10-foot shared-use path on the south side. The project will also add a grass median and LED lighting throughout this segment. The expected completion date is end of 2020. The Contractor is Sacyr Construction.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Bellaire Road to Buena Vista Boulevard: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours Monday through Friday as crews replace storm drains, weather permitting. Motorists should follow detour signs use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Seaboard Street to Underwood Street: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect eastbound and westbound traffic delays during nighttime/overnight hours as crews perform storm drain maintenance, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from US 41 to Main Street: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect eastbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Thursday for crews to operate a crane near the roadway. Motorists should use caution and expect delays while travelling in the area.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Joppa Lane to Verandah Boulevard: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound and westbound lane closures during daytime hours Monday through Friday for crews to extend the turn lane, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution and expect delays as crews work near the roadway.

SR 78/Pine Island Road from Burnt Store Road to Sandoval Parkway: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent westbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. weekdays, for crews to install underground utilities, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution and expect delays as crews work near the roadway.

SR 78/Pine Island Road at NE 24th Avenue/Hancock Creek South Boulevard: Construction project: Crews install a new traffic signal and pedestrian signals at the intersection. Motorists should expect lane closures during the nighttime/overnight hours of 5:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. on eastbound SR 78/Pine Island Road and during the nighttime/overnight hours of 6:30 p.m. to 11:30 a.m. on westbound SR 78/Pine Island Road. Motorists should expect lane closures on NE 24th Avenue/Hancock Creek South Boulevard except during the peak hours of 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Drivers should use caution while traveling in the area and be alert for crews working in the roadway. Estimated completion is early 2019, weather permitting. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

MANATEE COUNTY

I-275 at the Sunshine Skyway Rest Areas in Manatee and Pinellas Counties: Construction project: Improvements include constructing new rest areas and new parking lots with LED lighting, seawall repairs and extending the seawall at the Manatee County rest area to accommodate a new picnic pavilion. The Pinellas County Skyway Rest Area is closed for renovations. During this time, motorists will be directed to the Manatee County Skyway Rest Area. The closure is expected to last until fall 2018. The fishing piers will remain open during the closure. Construction is on-going on the new rest area site and the seawall on the Manatee side, west of I-275. Expected completion of both rest areas is fall 2019. David Nelson Construction Company is the contractor.

I-275 Southbound Ramp to I-75 Northbound (Exit 228): Construction project: Crews are replacing the concrete bridge deck on the southbound I-275 ramp to northbound I-75. The I-275 southbound ramp to northbound I-75 is closed for approximately ten (10) months. Traffic is being detoured north on US 41/S Tamiami Trail to SR 674/E College Avenue in Hillsborough County. A temporary traffic signal has been installed on US 41 at the southbound I-275 exit. Periodic nighttime/overnight I-75 northbound/southbound and I-275 southbound lane closures beneath I-275 will occur during construction. **There are no scheduled lane closures from December 22, 2018 to January 2, 2019. There will be nighttime/overnight northbound and southbound lane closures on I-75 beginning Thursday Night January 3, 2019. Motorists should also expect nighttime/overnight lane closures on the I-275 southbound to I-75 southbound ramp**

from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m beginning Thursday January 3, 2019. Use caution and watch for changes in the traffic pattern. Expected completion is summer 2019. Cone & Graham, Inc. is the contractor.

I-75 at SR 70 Interchange (Exit 217): Construction project: In observance of the holidays, crews will not be working December 22nd through the 25th; there will be no lane or ramp closures between Sunday, December 23, 2018 and Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

- This week, crews will work on clearing vegetation, retaining walls, drainage improvements, lighting, and SR 70 median work.
- Motorists should expect lane closures on I-75 during nighttime/overnight hours from 8.45 p.m. to 6 a.m. (northbound) or 8.00 p.m. to 5 a.m. (southbound) through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect lane closures on SR 70 during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect lane shifts on I-75 and SR 70 through the duration of the construction.
- Drivers should exercise caution and be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the interstate through the duration of the construction.

Variable message signs will be in place to alert drivers that work is underway. Estimated completion is late 2021. The contractor is Sacyr Construction USA, LLC.

I-75 at SR 64 (Manatee Avenue) Interchange (Exit 220): Construction project: In observance of the holidays, crews will not be working December 24th and 25th; there will be no lane or ramp closures between Sunday, December 23, 2018 and Wednesday, January 2, 2019. This week, crews are currently widening and resurfacing southbound I-75 and performing ramp, grading, lighting, and drainage work, and SR 64 reconstruction.

- Motorists are advised that one lane closure in each direction on SR 64 may occur during the overnight hours between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. throughout the duration of the project.
- Motorists are advised that one lane closure in each direction on I-75 may occur during the overnight hours between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. throughout the duration of the project.

This project reconstructs the interchange, widens interchange ramps and SR 64, and installs sidewalks and bicycle lanes on SR 64. Variable message signs will be in place to alert drivers that work is underway. Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated completion is late 2019. The contractor is Prince Contracting LLC.

I-75 at the University Parkway Interchange (Exit 213): Construction project: Crews are installing landscaping and irrigation systems at the I-75 and University Parkway interchange. Lane closures on I-75, if needed, will occur between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. Lane closures on University Parkway, if needed, will occur between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. Estimated completion is spring 2019. The contractor is Frankie Valdez Company, Inc.

US 301 from CR 675 to Moccasin Wallow Road: Construction project: Crews are installing new landscaping, irrigation and welcome signs. Superior Landscaping & Lawn Services is the contractor. Expected completion is early 2019.

Business US 41 (9th Street W) at the Green Bridge; at 3rd Avenue W, and from 3rd Avenue W to SR 64 (Manatee Avenue): Construction project: Crews are constructing a multi-use path; constructing sidewalk; improving drainage; constructing turn lanes, and installing new signing and pavement markings. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures on Business US 41 (9th Street W) from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. while crews are working. **The outside southbound lane on Business US 41 over the Green Bridge is closed to traffic while the contractor is working on the concrete barrier wall. For safety purposes, the lane will remain closed 24/7. Please plan additional travel time.** Estimated completion is spring 2019. The contractor is Gosalia Concrete Constructors, Inc.

US 41 at Moccasin Wallow Road: Construction project: Crews are constructing turn lanes, resurfacing the roadway, improving drainage on Moccasin Wallow Road at US 41. Construction begins Wednesday, January 2. Expect daytime and nighttime lane closures while construction is ongoing. Estimated completion is early 2019. Blacktip Services Incorporated is the contractor.

SR 789/Gulf Drive from SR 64 (Manatee Avenue) to SR 684 (Cortez Road): Maintenance permit project: Manatee County is installing new force mains and water mains. For additional information about the project, please visit the project website at www.amipipereplacement.com.

SR 70 (15th Street E) at 9th Avenue E: Construction project: Crews are constructing a roundabout; installing highway lighting and landscaping; improving drainage; constructing sidewalk, and resurfacing the roadway. **The intersection of SR 70 (15th Street E) and 9th Avenue E is closed during construction.** Please use 13th Avenue E and 7th Avenue E as alternate routes during this time. A temporary traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of SR 70 (15th Street E) and 13th Avenue E while the detour is in effect. Watson Civil Construction, Inc., is the contractor. Expected completion is spring 2019.

SR 64 at Rye Road: Construction project: Crews are constructing a multi-lane roundabout; resurfacing the roadway; improving drainage, and installing new highway lighting and landscaping. **There are no scheduled lane closures from December 22, 2018 to January 2, 2019. State Road 64 will be reduced to one lane in each direction beginning January 3, 2019. The speed limit is reduced to 45 mph within the construction zone.** IBT Construction is the contractor. Expected completion is late 2019.

OKEECHOBEE COUNTY

NW 6th Street from US 98 to NW 12th Avenue: Construction project: Crews will improve drainage along NW 6th Street from US 98 to NW 12th Avenue. Additional improvements include constructing a new stormwater pond, constructing a closed storm drain system, and restoring existing roadway pavement, driveways and roadside slopes disturbed during construction. Lane closures on US 98, NW 6th Street and NW 18th Avenue will be required during construction. Please follow detour signs and watch for workers in the construction zone. Estimated project completion is early 2019. The contractor is Lynch Paving & Construction Company.

US 441 south from Park Street (SR 70) to SW 32nd Street: Maintenance permit project: Crews are repairing sidewalks on the southbound side of South Parrott Avenue. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site.

US 441 from south of NE 304 Street to the Osceola County Line: Construction project: Crews are resurfacing the roadway at US 441 between NE 304 Street and the Osceola County line. The contractor will also replace the drainage pipe at US 441 and NW 358 Boulevard, install signage and pavement markings and improve the road shoulders. Watch for crews and equipment working close to the road. Drivers should expect lane closures on US 441 throughout the project. Flaggers will direct motorists through the work zone in a single lane. Please observe posted speed limits and drive with caution in the construction zone. The contractor is Lynch Paving & Construction Company. Estimated completion is late spring 2019.

- Crews are milling, resurfacing, placing temporary striping and sodding starting at the Osceola county line and working south. Motorists should expect single lane closures from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the southbound and northbound lanes of US 441 between the Osceola county line and south of 304 Street.

US 441 SE between canal 59 and SE 66th Avenue: Maintenance permit project: Crews are constructing a new pumping station including a new driveway connection to US 441 SE. Watch for workers close to the roadway with shoulder closures. Watch for trucks and equipment entering and leaving the roadway.

SR 70 from SW 78th Terrace to North Parrott Avenue/US 441 from SR 70 to Osceola County: Maintenance permit project: Utility work will be close to the roadway in urban areas but further away in rural areas. Please use caution in these areas and watch for crews working close to the roadway.

POLK COUNTY

Ewell Road from east of Irby Lane to Old Highway 37: Construction project: There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

This project includes replacing the bridge over Poley Creek, adding traffic signals and turn lanes at both Lunn Road intersections, resurfacing and upgrading signal equipment at Old Highway 37, drainage improvements, and milling and resurfacing in various locations. The contractor is SEMA Construction. Expected completion is early 2019.

US 98 just north of Princeton Manor Lane: Maintenance permit project: Crews are adding a new turn lane and driveway. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 98 near South Crystal Lake Drive: Maintenance permit project: Crews are removing and replacing curb and gutters. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 27 at Hunt Brothers Road: Maintenance permit project: Crews are constructing a new turn lane, driveway and signal. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 27 at US 98: Maintenance permit project: Crews are constructing a new driveway. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 17/92 east of Old Lee Jackson Road: Maintenance permit project: Crews are building new turn lanes and working in the median. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 17/92 from W Cummings Street to W Orange Street: Maintenance permit project: Crews are reconstructing curb and sidewalk. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 17 (3rd Street) and 1st Street at Avenue O SW: Maintenance permit project: Crews are taking cores of the roadway. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 17 from Main Street to Clower Street in Bartow: Maintenance contracts project: Watch for workers close to the road as crews repair sidewalk. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

US 17 from Bartow to Eagle Lake: Maintenance contracts project: Watch for workers close to the road as crews desilt drainage pipes. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

SR 659 (North Combee Road) at Lakeland Hills Boulevard: Crews are adding a new driveway and regrading the ditch. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

SR 544 (Havendale Boulevard) from US 92 in Auburndale to US 17 in Winter Haven: Maintenance contracts project: Crews are repairing sidewalks, driveways and trip hazards. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays. The contractor is Evans Contracting Services.

SR 544 (Lucerne Park Road) from Conine Road to Avenue Y: Maintenance permit project: Crews are making new drainage connections and building a new right turn lane. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

SR 542 from 1st Street to Buckeye Loop Road: Construction project: There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

The westbound right turn lane from SR 542 to Buckeye Loop Road will remain closed during this phase of construction. Use caution and allow extra time in your schedule when traveling in the area.

Pedestrian detours are also in place throughout the project for pedestrian safety. Please use designated walkways to avoid construction.

This project includes widening and adding a center turn lane, sidewalk and bike lanes; upgrading existing signal equipment; placing two mid-block crosswalks; and installing new water and sewer lines. Watson Civil Construction, Inc. is the contractor. Expected completion is fall 2020.

SR 37 from CR 640 (Pinecrest Road) to CR 630: Construction project: There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays. Work on this project requires grinding out the old roadway and placing new asphalt, reconstructing shoulders and modifying the signal at CR 640 (Pinecrest Road). Ajax Paving is the contractor. Estimated completion is early 2019.

SR 37 north of West Pipkin Road: Maintenance permit project: Crews are adding a new right turn lane at McDonalds. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

SR 37 at Poppell Drive: Maintenance permit project: Crews are reconstructing curb and driveways. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

SR 37 from Oppitz Lane to Palencia Place: Maintenance permit project: Crews are installing underground utilities. There is no planned activity on this project through the end of December in observance of the holidays.

SARASOTA COUNTY

Laurel Road at the Legacy Trail Crossing: Construction project: Crews are constructing a pedestrian bridge along the Legacy Trail over Laurel Road. Please be aware of construction vehicles entering and leaving the construction zone. Intermittent single lane closures at the bridge are possible from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. weekdays only. Denson Construction, Inc. is the contractor for the bridge. Expected completion is late 2018.

I-75 at the University Parkway Interchange (Exit 213): Construction project: Crews are installing landscaping and irrigation systems at the I-75 and University Parkway interchange. Lane closures on I-75, if needed, will occur between 8 p.m. and 5 a.m. Lane closures on University Parkway, if needed, will occur between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. Estimated completion is spring 2019. The contractor is Frankie Valdez Company, Inc.

US 41 from SR 789 to Ritz Carlton Drive and sidewalk located along the north side of SR 789 from Sunset Drive to US 41: Maintenance permit project: The sidewalk will remain closed until construction of the development located at the corner of US 41 and SR 789 is complete. Pedestrians should follow the established detour.

US 41 from Salford Boulevard to Sumter Boulevard: Construction project: Crews are widening US 41 from Salford Boulevard to Sumter Boulevard to a six-lane highway; resurfacing the roadway; improving drainage; constructing sidewalk, and installing highway lighting. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures from 8:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. when crews are resurfacing the roadway. Expect periodic driveway closures along the northbound lanes while crews are installing drainage systems. Russell Engineering, Inc. is the contractor. Expected completion is spring 2019.

US 41 Roundabouts at 10th Street and 14th Street, Sarasota: Construction project: Crews continue work within the right-of-way, medians and driveways. In observance of the holidays, construction activities are suspended Friday, 12/21/18 (half work day) through Tuesday, 12/25/18.

- Temporary single lane closures may occur between 9th Street and 15th Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. if nighttime activities are scheduled.
- Installation of roadway base is expected on the west side of US 41. Expect noise from heavy machinery, dust and dump trucks moving in and out of traffic.
- Work on the permanent driveway for Centennial Park boat ramp off US 41. Driveway will always be accessible, but expect restricted areas while crews are working. Please pay close attention to flaggers and barricades in the area.
- Installation of drainage structures and storm pipe at the southwest corner of 10th Street and US 41.
- Crews are expected to work on installing waterline on 10th Street (north side). Motorists are urged to use caution in the area.

- New temporary entrance to the Municipal Auditorium is in place and open for traffic. Please exercise caution in the area and watch out for heavy equipment and workers in the area
- Drainage structure and pipe installation along the west side of US 41 at the SW corner of 10th Street. Expect heavy equipment and trucks moving in and out of the travel lanes and parking lot for the Municipal Auditorium. Motorists are urged to use caution in the area.
- Light pole base foundations and preparation for sidewalks and driveways and road base at the north east corner of 14th Street and US 41 intersection. Expect heavy equipment, concrete and dump trucks and power tools. Pedestrian paths may also be rearranged to accommodate work in this area.
- West bound 10th Street will have restricted lanes on the east side of US 41, only 2 lanes will be available to make left turns, through traffic and right turns. Crews will be preparing to pave this area with asphalt. Motorists are urged to use caution in the area and expect heavy equipment and trucks moving in and out of this area.
- Centennial Park Boat Ramp driveway on 10th Street will be closed. Motorists can access the boat ramp via the US 41 entrance. Northbound left turn lane from US 41 into the boat ramp is available.
- Pedestrian paths have been reconfigured around the work zone, please use designated sidewalks and cross walks. No pedestrian access on the west side of US 41 beyond Centennial Park, pedestrians are advised to use the sidewalk on the east side of US 41. Impacts to pedestrian access south of the Centennial Park on the west side of US 41 is expected while the contractor is performing excavation in the area.
- Box culvert construction is ongoing. Expect noise from concrete saws and jack hammers. There will be pumps running 24/7 for dewatering in the area. This is an active construction zone and for safety purposes only authorized personnel are allowed inside the work zone.
- The traffic pattern will be limited to right turn in/out for 11th, 12th and 13th Street. Traveling southbound and northbound direction left turns are not permitted at 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th Streets. Motorists are advised to follow the posted signs.
- Temporary detour route in effect. Use Coconut Avenue as alternate route to access 12th, 13th, 14th and 15th Street. Motorists are advised to follow the posted detour route and seek an alternate route while traveling in this area.
- Activities are subject to change due to adverse weather conditions and other schedule unforeseen problems. Other lane closures not yet scheduled may occur which do not appear on this update.

Speed limit is reduced to 30 mph. Speeding fines are doubled in the construction area when workers are present.

Improvements being made as part of this project consist of reconstructing the signalized intersections and replacing them with roundabouts, enhancing connectivity, circulation and safety. US 41 will be widened between the two intersections and will include bike lanes as well as dedicated turn lanes, a 10-foot sidewalk along the west side, and a 6-foot sidewalk along the east side. Other improvements include raised islands for pedestrian refuge at the intersections of US 41 at 10th Street and 14th Street, pedestrian signals, LED street lights, landscaping, and City of Sarasota utility and underground drainage structure replacements. Expected completion is spring 2020. The contractor is IBT Construction LLC.

US 41 from Hospital Road to River Road: Maintenance permit project: Crews are constructing new turn-lanes, driveway connections, and working in the medians. Expect intermittent north and southbound daytime lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. through Friday, January 11. Use caution and expect possible delays.

US 41 from McIntosh Road to Beneva Road: Construction project: Crews are constructing sidewalk and bicycle lanes, improving drainage, reconstructing the US 41 southbound bridge over Catfish Creek south of Central Sarasota Parkway, installing highway lighting, upgrading signals, and installing new signing and pavement markings.

- **TRAFFIC SWITCH** – Southbound US 41 traffic is reduced to one lane and shifted into one of the northbound lanes while construction is underway on the southbound Catfish Creek Bridge. Northbound US 41 will also be reduced to one lane to accommodate southbound traffic. This traffic pattern will be in effect for approximately five (5) months. Use caution and plan additional travel time.
- Northbound nighttime/overnight lane closures may occur between 6 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- Southbound nighttime/overnight lane closures may occur between 6:30 p.m. and 9:30 a.m.
- The speed limit is reduced to 45 mph within the construction zone.

Motorists should use caution and obey the posted speed limit. Expected completion is fall 2019. The contractor is Morrison-Cobalt JV.

US 41 from Tuscola Boulevard to Ortiz Boulevard: Construction project: Crews are constructing a multi-use path; installing bus pads and shelters; improving drainage; constructing/replacing sidewalk; installing guardrail and highway lighting, and installing new signing and pavement markings. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Daytime lane closures between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. are possible. Lane closures within 600 feet of signalized intersections are not permitted between 5:30 a.m.

and 7 p.m. Florida Safety Contractors, Inc. is the contractor. Expected completion is spring 2019.

SR 72 at Proctor Road: Construction project: This project is to install a temporary traffic signal. The project also includes pedestrian signals and crosswalk at Proctor Road. This week, in observance of the holidays, crews will be off from Saturday, December 22, 2018 and will return on Wednesday, January 2, 2019.

- Drivers should anticipate lane closures; however, lane closures will be prohibited during peak hours from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Variable message signs will be in place to alert drivers that work is underway. Drivers should use caution while traveling in the work zone. Estimated completion is early 2019. Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC is the contractor.

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