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## **DISTRICT ONE DISTRICTWIDE ROADWATCH REPORT #46 FOR WEEK NOVEMBER 17 – NOVEMBER 23, 2024**

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

**BARTOW, Fla.** – This weekly report is prepared by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to inform the public about upcoming road work in Southwest Florida. Below are the work schedule and lane closure locations for major state road projects.

**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](http://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 41 from Midway Boulevard US 41 (Tamiami Trail) from William Street to Peace River Bridge: Construction Project:** The contractor continues work on the proposed roundabout location while traffic is shifted.

- Motorists should expect daytime lane closures on US 41 northbound from William Street to Carmalita Street.
- Motorists should expect a daytime lane closure on US 41 southbound from West Virginia Avenue to William Street.
- Motorists should expect a lane closure from Carmelita Street onto US 41 northbound.

- **Phase 2 Detour** - Cross Street will be closed for the duration of Phase Two construction. Motorists attempting to access Carmalita Street from Cross Street will have to use the posted detour. They will turn left on West Charlotte Avenue, then right on Taylor Street, and continue until they reach Carmalita Street.
- **Phase 2 Traffic Shift** – Traffic is shifted near the proposed roundabout along US 41 northbound

**US 41 from Midway Boulevard to Paulson Drive:** Maintenance project: Motorists should expect intermittent outside northbound closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 8:30 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays, while crews perform geotechnical work.

**US 41 and Harbor View Road:** Traffic operations: From 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., crews will be replacing traffic signal heads. Motorists should expect temporary lane shifts and possible slow-moving traffic. A police officer will be present to ensure both motorist and crew safety.

**US 41 from Harbor View Road to Hancock Avenue:** Permit Project: Motorists should expect nighttime/overnight lane closures northbound on US 41 beginning Tuesday, November 5, 2024, and continue through Friday, December 20, 2024. Work will occur between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. Crews will be working on underground utilities.

Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**US 41 and SR 776 at Various Intersections:** Hurricane Ian signal repair project: Crews will be installing illuminated signs along US 41 in Punta Gorda and Port Charlotte at several intersections. Motorists should expect minor traffic delays and slow-moving traffic. Please use caution as crews install signs.

**US 17 from Piper Road to West of Golf Course Road:** Construction project: Crews will be constructing new turn lanes as well as milling and resurfacing existing roadway on US 17. Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound lane closures during daytime and nighttime hours. Motorists should expect slow-moving traffic and possible delays.

**SR 35 (US 17) from Tamiami Trail (US 41) to Bermont Road:** Construction project: The contractor continues milling and paving operations between Nesbit Street and I-75.

- Motorists should expect daytime shoulder closures on eastbound and westbound SR 35 (US 17).

- Motorists should expect nighttime-overnight lane closures on eastbound and westbound SR 35 (US 17) between the hours of 7 p.m. to 9 a.m.

**SR 31 at CR 74 (Bermont Road) Roundabout Construction:** Construction project: Crews will be Installing Temporary Signalization & Temporary Lighting and Performing General Earthwork & Survey Operations.

- Motorists should expect slower-moving traffic to allow for equipment to be unloaded.
- Scheduled work hours are Monday through Thursday from 7 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Fridays from 7 a.m. – 3 p.m.

**Main Street to Peace River Bridge:** Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during daytime and nighttime/overnight hours while crews resurface the roadway, construct curb, gutter, sidewalk, lane widenings, drainage, signage, Street Light, and signalization improvements.

**Motorists should expect intermittent southbound and northbound lane closures from Aqui Esta Drive to Payne Street during daytime hours from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 6:30 a.m.**

Motorists should use caution as crews work on the roadway.

## **COLLIER COUNTY**

**I-75 From North of Golden Gate to Lee County Line:** Construction Project: Milling and resurfacing of existing Northbound and Southbound travel lanes on I-75, from just north of Golden Gate Pkwy to the Collier/Lee County line (just South of Bonita Beach Road exit). Nightly lane closures for the resurfacing work are scheduled to occur on **Sunday nights through Thursday nights.**

- Resurfacing operations have been completed at this time.
- Installation of Traffic Monitoring Stations and Thermoplastic is anticipated to start at the beginning of December.
- *Please note that any specific changes will be addressed in a media advisory and the work schedule is subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.*

**I-75 from Mile Marker 76 to Mile Marker 100/Toll Plaza:** Construction project: Crews will widen and resurface the roadway as well as construct new guardrail and wildlife crossings.

**Motorists should expect intermittent southbound and northbound lane closures during daytime hours throughout the duration of the project.**

Motorists should use caution as crews work on the roadway. The expected project completion is late fall 2024.

**I-75 from the Broward County line to the east of the bridge over Wildlife Crossing #15:** Construction project: Crews will widen and resurface the roadway as well as construct new guardrail and wildlife crossings.

**Motorists should expect intermittent southbound and northbound lane closures during daytime hours throughout the duration of the project.**

Motorists should use caution as crews work on the roadway. The expected project completion is late fall 2024.

**I-75 at SR 951 (exit 101) Interchange Improvements:** FDOT is reconstructing the I-75 southbound on- and off-ramp connections and the northbound on-ramp connection to the mainline lanes at SR 951 (exit 101). The northeast quadrant loop ramp will be connected to, and accessible only by, a direct flyover ramp from northbound Collier Boulevard starting south of the Davis Boulevard intersection. This single-lane flyover ramp will carry traffic over Beck Boulevard and a reconstructed I-75 southbound on-ramp. A single-lane flyover ramp extension will carry I-75 southbound traffic over Davis Boulevard to a new signalized intersection at Collier Boulevard and Business Circle North. This ramp will extend along the western side of Collier Boulevard.

*The following activities are subject to change based on weather conditions and unforeseen underground conditions.*

- Beginning on Sunday, November 17, during the overnight/nighttime hours, motorists should expect the northbound lanes of CR 951/Collier Boulevard to shift toward the median for crews to continue to construct the elevated roadway from SR 84/Davis Boulevard to I-75. Crews will work through the week to complete the shift.
- During the nighttime/overnight hours of 9:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., motorists should expect lane closures on CR 951/Collier Boulevard between SR 84/Davis Boulevard/Beck Boulevard and Business Circle South. These closures are expected through November 2024.

- Crews continue to build bridge structures for the new bridge over Beck Boulevard, east of Collier Boulevard. Motorists can expect daytime lane closures between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. on northbound Collier Boulevard from just south of Beck Boulevard to just south of the southbound on-ramp at I-75.
- Motorists should expect the outside right turn lane from southbound SR 951 to westbound SR 84/Davis Boulevard closed. Drivers can continue to turn right from the remaining open turn lane. This closure is needed for crews to begin work for the force main and bridge foundation installation and will remain in place through job completion.
- Pedestrians should expect a sidewalk closure along SR 84 (Davis Boulevard) just west of SR 951 (Collier Boulevard) and along SR 951 (Collier Boulevard) between SR 84 (Davis Boulevard) and Business Circle North. Pedestrians may use SR 84 (Davis Boulevard) to Market Street to Business Circle South to access SR 951 (Collier Boulevard).
- Motorists are advised that the SR 84 (Davis Boulevard) eastbound direct access ramp heading south to SR 951 (Collier Boulevard) is permanently closed. The eastbound to southbound right turn will be available at the intersection.
- Motorists should expect reduced lane widths for southbound Collier Boulevard between Business Circle North and Business Circle South.

Please use caution and watch for workers and construction vehicles entering and leaving the roadway. The expected completion date is spring 2026. For more information please visit: <https://www.swflroads.com/project/425843-2>.

**US 41 (Tamiami Trail) at Rattlesnake Hammock Road:** Permit Project: Motorists should expect a nighttime/overnight right-turn lane closure on US 41 northbound at Rattlesnake Hammock Road eastbound between the hours of 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Work will begin on Sunday, November 17, and last through Saturday, November 30. Crews will be resurfacing the roadway.

Motorists should use caution as crews work on the roadway.

**SR 84/Davis Boulevard at Rich King Memorial Greenway Trail:** Construction project: Project consists of crosswalk signalization improvements.

- **Expect temporary left turn lane closures during daytime operations.**

**SR 82 from the Hendry County Line to Gator Slough Lane: Construction Project:**

Motorists should expect intermittent southbound and northbound lane closures during the daytime and nighttime/overnight hours throughout the duration of the project.

- Work consists of bridge construction, adding lanes and reconstruction, milling and resurfacing, drainage, grass median, sidewalk, guardrail, shared-use path, signalization, lighting, and signing and pavement markings.
- Crews will be performing roadway widening including clearing & grubbing, excavations, and embankment construction on westbound roadway.

Motorists should use caution as crews work on the roadway. The expected project completion date is late fall of 2026.

**DESOTO COUNTY**

**SR 70 from Peace River to Southeast Baker Street:** Construction project: Crews will reconstruct approximately 3.4 miles of SR 70 within the City of Arcadia, add new drainage facilities, add new and relocate sanitary and watermain utilities, install new traffic signals, reconstruct sidewalks, and add street lighting in various locations. During construction there will be lane closure on SR 70. Temporary pedestrian pathways will be installed for pedestrians during construction while sidewalks are under construction and detours will be in place during construction, while crews work on side roads; please follow signage and use caution in these areas.

- **Motorists should expect lane closures on westbound and eastbound SR 70 from Baker Street to the apex of east and westbound SR 70.**
- **Robert Ave at eastbound SR 70 is closed. A detour is in place at Luther Avenue. Please follow detour signs and allow extra travel time.**
- **Motorists should expect nighttime lane closures on SR 70 westbound of the Peace River and east of US 17, while crews work on utilities.**
- **New traffic pattern: Northbound US 17 traffic will merge into one lane at SR 70 westbound. All truck traffic travelling westbound on SR 70 wanting to go northbound on US 17 will be detoured to US 17 southbound, then to SR 70 eastbound and then to US 17 northbound.**

- **The contractor will be performing a lane switch along westbound SR 70. This will move the active traffic east of US 17 to the north side of westbound SR 70.**

Estimated completion is summer 2026.

**SR 70 from Manatee County Line to CR 661:** Construction project: Crews will resurface SR 70 from the Manatee County line to CR 661, widen turn lanes and road shoulders, regrade ditches and improve drainage, and perform full depth roadway reconstruction at various locations. During construction the speed limit has been reduced to 50 mph and there will be periodic lane closures on SR 70 from the Manatee County line to CR 661.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent shoulder closures along SR 70 throughout the project.**
- **Motorists should expect lane closures on SR 70 from Manatee County line to County Road 661 throughout the project.**
- Please use caution in the area and watch for workers in the construction zone.

Estimated completion is late 2024.

**US 17 at Joshua Creek in Nocatee:** Maintenance contracts project: Crews will be conducting pond repair DeSoto County on US 17 approximately one-half mile north of CR 760/Wells Avenue in Nocatee. The area is on the northbound shoulder at the pond, Motorists can expect trucks entering and exiting the roadway during daylight hours. The project will repair damage and improve the pond structure to mitigate flooding along Joshua Creek. This project is planned to finish in late fall 2024. Motorists can expect intermittent lane and shoulder closures in the area. The contractor onsite will be Contract Service Solutions. Motorists should use caution when traveling in the area.

## **GLADES COUNTY**

**US 27 (SR 25) at SR 78 Intersection:** Construction project: Crews will be reconstructing the intersection with concrete pavement. Other improvements include milling, resurfacing, drainage, guardrail, signing and pavement markings. Please use caution in the area and watch for workers, traffic signage, detours and equipment throughout the project.

- US 27 between St. Joseph Way Road and Little H Street will have two (2) westbound lanes closed and detoured to the eastbound lane and one (1) eastbound lane closed inside to accommodate westbound traffic, as needed, from 7 p.m. and around the clock until February 25, 2025, for road reconstruction under Phase I MOT.
- An eastbound lane will be closed along the detour on US 27 with a flagging operation from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. to pin the barrier wall, as needed, from November 17 - 23, 2024. Please use caution in the area and watch for workers in the construction zone.

Project completion is expected mid-2025.

**SR 78 Lakeport:** Maintenance project: Crews will be working along the shoulder resetting guardrail on westbound SR 78 between Old Lakeport Road and US 27. Lane closures may be conducted during this operation. Please use caution in the area. Expected completion is January 31, 2025.

## **HARDEE COUNTY**

**SR 636 (East Main Street) from 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue:** Maintenance project: The City of Wauchula will temporarily close one block of SR 636 (East Main Street) from 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue to repair a waterline washout. It will be closed from 8 a.m. on November 14 to 4 p.m. on November 15, 2024. Southbound traffic on US 17 wanting to head east on SR 636 will use E Palmetto to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue and those traveling northbound on US 17 wanting to turn east on SR 636 will use E Orange Street to 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

**SR 66 from US 17 (SR 35) to Charlie Creek:** Construction project: Crews will mill and resurface SR 66 from US 17 to Charlie Creek. Improvements will include milling and resurfacing, and motorists can expect a detour at Merle Langford Road when the westbound lane of SR 66 is closed for construction. Eastbound SR 66 will remain open throughout. Other improvements consist of sidewalk construction, drainage structures, guardrails, curb and gutter, new pavement markings and other safety improvements. Please use caution in the area and watch for workers, traffic signage, detours and equipment throughout the project.

- Expect lane closures/flagging operations on eastbound and westbound SR 66 from Schoolhouse Road to Sweetwater Road from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. from



Nov. 18-22, 2024. Multiple closures may occur on opposite ends of the project during the same day.

- Milling and resurfacing is ongoing, and motorists should expect longer delays in the queues and may want to consider using alternate routes.

Completion is expected in early 2026.

**SR 64 from West of Prescott Road to Morgan Grice Road:** Construction project: Crews will resurface SR 64 from west of Prescott Road to Morgan Grice Road. Improvements will include milling, resurfacing and safety improvements. Please use caution in this area and watch out for workers and equipment throughout the project.

- Motorists can expect daytime lane closures to continue until completion in early 2025.

**US 17 (SR 35 NB) from Bay Street to Palmetto Street:** Permit project: Lane and sidewalk closures with law enforcement at night while contractor removes and installs poles on the east side of US 17. Please use caution in this area and watch out for workers and equipment during overnight hours.

## HENDRY COUNTY

No current projects.

## HIGHLANDS COUNTY

**US 98 from East of CR 621 to the Okeechobee County Line:** Construction project: Crews will resurface US 98 from east of CR 621 to the Okeechobee County line, reconstruct US 98 in various areas, widen shoulders, replace guardrail, and install signing and pavement markings. During construction there may be daytime and nighttime lane closures and traffic will be reduced to one lane in various areas; temporary signals will be installed to guide motorists. Please use caution in the area and watch for workers in the work zones.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent daytime/nighttime lane closures between Kissimmee River Bridge and approximately 0.7 miles south of CR 621 to complete paving, striping and sodding.**

Anticipated completion is fall 2024.

**US 17 from Home Avenue to Evangeline Avenue:** Permit project: Crews will be installing new utility poles on State Route 17 between Home Avenue and Evangeline Avenue. From November 8, 2024, through the end of the year, expect intermittent lane closures with one-lane flagging operations from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Please use caution in the area and watch for workers in the work zones.

## **LEE COUNTY**

**I-75 at Colonial Boulevard (mile marker 136):** Construction project: Crews begin construction on the I-75 at Colonial Boulevard Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) Project. Other improvements along Colonial Boulevard include a Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI) at the intersection of Six Mile Cypress Parkway/Ortiz Avenue and a Superstreet intersection at the Colonial Boulevard/Forum Boulevard intersection. I-75 will also be widened to provide an auxiliary lane in each direction from Colonial Boulevard to SR 82/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. The off-ramps at Colonial Boulevard DDI and the northbound off-ramps at SR 82 will have emergency stopping sites.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures on I-75 and the on and off ramps at SR 884/Colonial Boulevard during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of construction.**
- **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures on SR 884/Colonial Boulevard during the nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. through the duration of the construction.**

### **Work on Final Configuration at Colonial Boulevard and Forum Boulevard Begins**

- Crews are installing the final configuration of the Redirected Crossing U-Turn intersection at Colonial Boulevard and Forum Boulevard.
- Forum Boulevard southbound to Colonial Boulevard eastbound will be reduced to one turn-lane.
- Motorists traveling north on Colonial Court will only be able to turn left or right onto Colonial Boulevard and will not be able to continue straight across Colonial Boulevard onto Forum Boulevard. To access Forum Boulevard from Colonial Court, motorists must turn right onto Colonial Boulevard and make a U-turn at Colonial Country Club Boulevard to return to Forum Boulevard.
- The final configuration is anticipated to be open in February 2025.

- Drivers should exercise caution and be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the roadway throughout the duration of the project.

Stay informed and sign up for construction alerts and view improvement plans by visiting <https://www.swflroads.com/project/413065-1>.

**I-75 From South of Bonita Beach Road to North of Alico:** Construction Project: Milling and resurfacing of existing lanes. Nighttime-overnight milling and resurfacing operations will continue with nightly lane closures, Sunday through Thursday nights over the next several months.

- Daytime activities will include installation of sign bases and conduit installation for I.T.S. items.
- This work will be performed during the daytime from inside the right-of-way away from the travel lanes or behind shoulder closures as needed.
- **During the week of Sunday, November 17 to Thursday, November 21 - Motorists should expect the northbound on-ramp to I-75 from Alico Road to be closed during the nighttime-overnight hours for the resurfacing of the ramp, and motorists are encouraged to follow posted detours.**
  - Motorists can detour to Ben Hill Griffin Parkway/Treeline Avenue and then westbound on Daniels Parkway to I-75.
- **During the week of Sunday, November 17 to Thursday, November 21 - Motorists should expect the northbound off-ramp to Terminal Access Road to be closed during the nighttime-overnight hours for the resurfacing of the ramp, and motorists are encouraged to follow posted detours.**
  - Motorists can detour to Alico Road from northbound I-75 and then travel north until they reach Terminal Access Road.
  - Motorists can also detour to Daniels Parkway from northbound I-75 and then travel southbound on Ben Hill Griffin Parkway/Treeline Avenue until they reach Terminal Access Road.
- *The current work schedule is subject to change due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances.*
- *Please note that any changes will be addressed in a media advisory.*

**Pine Island Road Causeway and Bridge Permanent Repairs:** Construction project: As part of the Emergency Restoration of the Pine Island Road Causeway and Bridge, crews will be working in the project boundaries along CR 78 Pine Island Road from west of Little Pine Island Bridge (Bridge No. 120111) to West of Shoreview Drive.

- **Phase 1 of construction on Little Pine Island Bridge has begun. The bridge is reduced to one lane as part of the Phase 1 construction plan. The bridge will remain one lane through the duration of Phase 1. Temporary signals are placed on both ends of the bridge and variable message signs are in place to alert drivers.**
- **The Little Pine Island Bridge has been reduced to a single lane width of twelve feet through the duration of Phase 1.**
- **Motorists can expect occasional lane closures on the causeway for delivery/removal of materials, transfer of equipment as crews perform work on the south side.**
- **Motorists are reminded not to block driveways or entrances and to follow all posted signage throughout the construction zone.**
- Since the start of construction with the Little Pine Island Bridge, boaters are asked to be aware of construction equipment and erosion control measures that are in place.
- Please be alerted to construction equipment in the construction zone. To maintain safety, motorists should find alternate parking areas.
- Pedestrians and bicyclists are not permitted within the construction zone.
- Please use caution and watch for workers and construction vehicles entering and exiting the roadway.
- Noise from construction equipment in the area is to be expected.

Please be patient and plan for additional travel time as it may be slower than usual in the area.

**Sanibel Causeway Emergency Restoration:** Crews have moved traffic to the permanent lanes on the Sanibel Causeway. **The causeway islands surrounding the temporary roadway are an active work zone and are currently closed for public access, including from the water.**

*The following work activities above are scheduled to occur, however unforeseen underground conditions and weather may affect this schedule.*

*East of the Toll Plaza:*

- Both directions of McGregor Boulevard traffic are shifted to the south side of the road from approximately ½ mile from Shell Point Boulevard to west of Port Comfort Road. Westbound traffic headed to Port Comfort Road may continue straight to turn right to Port Comfort Road. This shift is necessary for the contractor to reconstruct the underground pipe crossing under the north side of the road. McGregor Boulevard is scheduled to remain REDUCED TO ONE LANE IN EACH DIRECTON through early 2025.
- The eastbound (south/beach side) shoulder on McGregor Boulevard remains FULLY CLOSED TO ACCESS. Crews have installed underground devices (marine mattresses) to reinforce the shoreline and are scheduled to finalize shoulder work by late November 2024.
- Motorists should expect temporary daytime lane closures on McGregor Boulevard, both eastbound and westbound from Shell Point Boulevard to Punta Rassa Road for crews to move equipment and materials as necessary.

*West of the Toll Plaza:*

- Lee County is installing a post & rope system to temporarily delineate pedestrian traffic on the causeway islands during the upcoming recreational facility reconstruction.
- Motorists should expect traffic to be intermittently stopped at the staging area entrance as equipment crosses the road with materials for work on the south side of McGregor Boulevard and on the south side of the Toll Plaza.
- Crews are scheduled to drive sheet pile on the south side of the road by the toll plaza late next week. Crews are currently placing armor stone in this area.
- Crews are scheduled to begin installing sod for roadway stabilization and pond construction in the coming weeks. Earthwork (grading) and debris removal continues along the causeway islands. Please expect construction equipment periodically entering/leaving the travel lanes when necessary. The contractor is limiting this interruption during peak hours.

- The westbound merge location is now west of the toll plaza. Motorists are urged to use caution and obey the 20 MPH speed limit. Construction vehicles and equipment continue to enter/exit the staging area near this location.
- Crews continue work in the area of the off-island U-turn under Span A.

Many oversized vehicles are crossing the causeway to assist with recovery efforts on the island. Please be patient as travel may be slower than usual. Bicyclists are encouraged to utilize another mode of transportation to travel the causeway, and pedestrians are not permitted on the Sanibel Causeway. **MOTORISTS ARE REMINDED TO OBEY THE POSTED SPEED LIMIT OF 20 MPH THROUGHOUT THE WORK ZONE.**

**US 41 over Caloosahatchee River Bridge Pedestrian Improvements:** Design-Build Project from First Street in Fort Myers to North Key Drive in North Fort Myers. This project is intended to improve pedestrian safety by modifying the existing bridge to accommodate an eight-foot sidewalk on the west side of the southbound bridge. The sidewalk will connect to existing sidewalks north and south of the bridge structure to create safe access for pedestrians to cross.

- **The Caloosahatchee Bridge is open for Phase II construction with one lane open for southbound traffic and both lanes open for northbound traffic.**
- **Nighttime southbound bridge closures will begin Tuesday night, November 19 and continue through Friday night, November 22 from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m.**
- Electronic message boards will be used to make motorists aware of lane closures and alternate routes that can be used.
- Please note that the work schedule is subject to change due to weather or unforeseen circumstances.

Stay informed and sign up for construction alerts and view improvement plans by visiting <https://www.swflroads.com/project/449015-1> or by calling the project hotline at 239-387-0115.

**US 41 and Crystal Drive Intersection:** Construction project: Project consists of intersection improvements at US 41 and Crystal Drive.

**Motorists should anticipate intermittent daytime right-turn lane closures and intermittent nighttime/overnight lane closures throughout the intersection of US 41 and Crystal Drive.**

The lanes will be closed for concrete sidewalk demo and re-installation as well as signal work.

Motorists should use caution while crews work near the roadway.

**US 41/SR 78:** Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound lane closures during daytime hours from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. while crews construct driveways in the area. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 884 (Colonial Boulevard) and Fowler Street:** Construction project: Crews are constructing turn lanes, drainage upgrades, signalization upgrades and milling and resurfacing at the intersection of Colonial Boulevard and Fowler Street.

**The right turn lane from southbound Fowler to westbound Colonial is open. Follow posted signage... “No Turn On Red”**

**Motorists should expect intermittent nighttime/overnight lane closures as crews work on signalization and milling and paving of the intersection.**

The expected project completion is mid-late 2024.

**SR 867(McGregor Boulevard) from Aqua Lane to Whiskey Creek Bridge:** Maintenance Project: Motorists should expect daytime northbound lane closures on SR 867 during the hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. beginning Monday, November 18, 2024, through Thursday, November 21, 2024. Crews will be on-site performing maintenance work on the shoulder.

Motorists should anticipate slow-moving traffic and possible delays when traveling in the area. Motorists should use caution as trucks enter and exit the work zone.

**SR 865 (San Carlos Boulevard) from north of Crescent Street to north of Hurricane Pass Bridge:** Construction Project: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is making improvements along San Carlos Boulevard (S.R. 865). The purpose of the project is to provide additional travel options on a congested corridor, especially during the peak tourist season (January - April). The project will enhance mobility and safety for vehicular and non-vehicular transportation and increase accessibility and connections between community points of interest.

- **Crews implemented a traffic pattern shift as they work on the demolition of the existing barrier wall on the Matanzas Pass Bridge.**
- **Northbound Estero Boulevard is closed from Crescent Street to the Matanzas Pass Bridge.**

During construction, motorists should expect intermittent nighttime/overnight lane closures Monday through Friday. Motorists are asked to exercise caution and reduce their speed while driving through the work zone.

**SR 865/McGregor Boulevard:** Maintenance Project: Motorists should expect intermittent nighttime/overnight lane closures between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. from Monday, November 4, to Saturday, November 30, 2024. Crews will be performing thermoplastic work. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 865/San Carlos Boulevard at Pine Ridge Road:** Hurricane lan maintenance project: Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures while crews perform repairs to the traffic controller cabinet. Police officers will be on-site to direct traffic as needed. Please use caution and expect delays while traveling through this area.

**SR 739 from Palm Avenue to Old Metro Parkway:** Maintenance Project: Motorists should expect drilling operations to be performed on SR 739 on the eastbound and westbound shoulders during the daytime hours. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 82/Buckingham Road to Lee Boulevard/Colonial Boulevard:** Maintenance Project: Motorists should expect slow-moving traffic and delays on SR 82 westbound during daytime and nighttime hours while crews pave driveways. Nighttime lane closures will take place from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 80 from Buckingham Road to Hendry County Line:** Construction project: Crews will be milling and resurfacing 9.5 miles of roadway, shoulder widening, turnout construction, guardrail, drainage, signing and pavement markings and installing intelligent transportation systems.

- Inside and outside lane closures from just West of Hickey Creek Bridge to just East of Hickey Creek Bridge in both eastbound and westbound directions.
- Turn-lane closures from east of Buckingham Road to west of River Hall Parkway

**SR 80 (Palm Beach Boulevard)/Veronica South Shoemaker Boulevard to Alta Vista Avenue:** Construction project: Motorists should expect nighttime/overnight lane closures from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. during the week while crews perform soil boring operations to gather design criteria for upcoming improvements to the corridor. Please use caution and expect delays while traveling through this area.



**SR 78 (Bayshore Road) from Evalena Lane to New Post Road:** Construction Project: This project consists of access management improvements along SR 78 with the intent of enhancing traffic flow and reducing crashes.

- Motorists should anticipate intermittent nighttime/overnight lane closures and should follow the posted regulatory signs.
- Motorists should use caution as crews work on and near the roadway.

**SR 78 (Pine Island Road) from west of Chiquita Boulevard to west of Santa Barbara Boulevard:** Construction Project: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One will be making roadway improvements including milling and resurfacing, widening, turn-lane construction, and median modifications. Other features of this project include signalization, lighting and signing, and pavement markings along State Road 78 from Chiquita Boulevard to Santa Barbara Boulevard.

- Motorists should expect intermittent nighttime/overnight lane closures.
- Anticipated completion is summer 2025.

**SR 45/Leisure Road to Del Prado Boulevard North:** Maintenance Project: Motorists should use caution when traveling along SR 45 southbound between Leisure Road and Del Prado Boulevard South as crews will be constructing watermain lines in the area. Work will be performed during daytime hours. Project is expected to be finished by mid-2024.

**SR 31 from SR 78 (Bayshore Road) to Lake Babcock Drive:** Construction Project: The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is making improvements to S.R. 31 from S.R. 78 (Bayshore Road) to Lake Babcock Drive. These interim improvements include building a new four-lane roadway east of the existing S.R. 31 roadway that will tie-in to the existing two-lane roadway. Additional improvements to the project corridor include separated multi-use trail facilities along both sides of S.R. 31, lighting enhancements at all major intersections, and significant enhancements to stormwater facilities.

Anticipated completion is Winter 2026.

**SR 31 from Little Farm Road to Suzan Drive:** Permit Project: Motorists should expect intermittent daytime lane closures northbound and southbound on SR 31 beginning Tuesday, October 29th, 2024, and continue through Tuesday, January 30, 2025. Work will occur on the weekdays between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Crews will be relocating double-circuit power lines.

Motorists should expect delays and use caution as crews work on and near the roadway.

**Slater Road from Imperial Drive to Shelby Lane:** Permit Project: Motorists should expect intermittent nighttime/overnight lane closures northbound on Slater Road beginning Wednesday, November 13, 2024, and continuing through Friday, November 22, 2024. Work will occur between 7 p.m. and 5 a.m. Crews will be installing a turn lane on the east side of Slater.

Motorists should expect slow-moving traffic and use caution as crews work on and near the roadway.

**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 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. Motorists should expect slow-moving traffic and possible delays.

## **MANATEE COUNTY**

**I-75 at US 301 Interchange (Exit 224):** Construction project: Project will widen the I-75 from SR 64 to the Manatee River, reconfigure the I-75/US 301 interchange from a partial cloverleaf interchange to a tight diamond configuration, construct new bridges will be constructed over the Manatee River for a northbound exit ramp and a southbound entrance ramp, and US 301 improvements. This week, crews will work on I-75 paving; drainage, utility, and median work on US 301; and, decking on the new bridges over the Manatee River.

- Motorists should expect double lane closures on I-75 northbound during nighttime/overnight hours from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. through the duration of the construction; double closures on I-75 southbound during the nighttime/overnight hours from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect lane closures on US 301 during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect lane closures on Tidewater Preserve Boulevard through the duration of bridge construction
- Motorists should expect lane shifts on I-75 and US 301 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 2025.

**I-75 and the new 44th Avenue Flyover Bridge:** Permit project: Manatee County contractors have scheduled northbound lane closures to begin Wednesday night, November 13, 2024. This work will continue for approximately two weeks. to install the span. Motorists should use caution in the area

**US 41 BUS from 26<sup>th</sup> Street West to US 19 in Palmetto:** Construction project: Crews will be resurfacing the US 41 BUS roadway from 26<sup>th</sup> Street West to US 19. Motorists can expect overnight lane closures as they finalize the project.

**US 41 between US 301 and 33rd Street West:** Environmental surveys: NorthStar Contracting Group, Inc. will conduct single-lane closures on bridge nos. 130008 and 130009 located along US 41 between US 301 and 33rd Street West, in Palmetto. Lane closures will begin at approximately 7 p.m. on November 24, 2024, and should be completed by 6 a.m. on November 25. Although single-lane closures will be conducted on each bridge, no more than one lane closure will be conducted at a time. The purpose of these lane closures is to facilitate environmental surveys on the bridge decks on behalf of FDOT District One.

**US 301 from 25th Court East to 13th Avenue East:** Construction project: Crews have begun a 7.6-mile improvement project consisting of milling and resurfacing the roadway, widening in areas, base work, curb and gutter, sidewalk, guardrail, drainage improvements, bridge expansion joints, signalization, signing, and pavement marking.

- Motorists should expect shoulder closures including pedestrian access restrictions along the US 301 corridor north and southbound between 25<sup>th</sup> Court East and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue East. Alternate pedestrian routes will be clearly posted. To maintain safety, pedestrians should follow the posted detour signage.
- Motorists can expect right-turn lane closures at the intersections of US 301 and Tallevast Road to 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue East.
- Motorists can expect nighttime shoulder and lane closures along US 301 for milling and resurfacing between 63<sup>rd</sup> Avenue East and 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue East. Please use caution and be aware of crews in the area.

- Motorists should expect lane closures southbound US 301 between 9th Street and 63rd Avenue East from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. Sunday night through Friday morning.

The project's expected completion is late 2024.

**US 301 and Moccasin Wallow Road Roundabout:** Permit project: This roadway project includes widening approximately one mile of Moccasin Wallow Road from a two-lane to four-lane (two in each direction) between U.S. 301 and 115th Avenue East, roadway drainage, signalized intersections, street lighting, pedestrian-activated crossings, multi-use path, sidewalk, bicycle lanes and construction of a roundabout at the U.S. 301 and Moccasin Wallow Road intersection.

Occasional traffic shifts will be implemented on Moccasin Wallow Road through fall of 2024, from west of 115th Avenue East to U.S. 301, to accommodate paving operations. Travelers are reminded to exercise caution and observe the new traffic patterns, especially at the intersections, as well as construction vehicles operating within the project area.

**US 301 and SR 37:** Construction: Crews are working in the project limits. Please use caution and be prepared to slow down.

**SR 789 Gulf of Mexico Drive through Longboat Key:** Motorists are advised to use due caution and expect delays along this roadway due to an island-wide debris collection operation along the entire Gulf of Mexico Drive right-of-way. Flagged single lanes are facilitating the safe loading of debris trucks. Cyclists are also urged to avoid the area as unsafe conditions exist within the bike lanes during debris removal.

**SR 70 /15th Street East:** Construction project: Motorists can expect temporary flagging operations as needed. Overnight paving is scheduled. Motorists should use caution in the area and consider alternate routes or add additional overnight travel time.

**SR 70 from Lorraine Road to Bourneside Boulevard:** Construction project: This project includes widening SR 70 from Lorraine Road to Bourneside Boulevard from a two-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane or six-lane divided roadway, depending on the location, construction of roundabouts on SR 70 at Uihlein Road, Del Webb Boulevard, and Bourneside Boulevard, intersection improvements at the existing signalized intersection of Greenbrook Boulevard and Lorraine Road, construction of four bridges over two Braden River crossing locations, new drainage system, construction of 10-foot shared use paths, street lighting, and landscaping, and installation of new fiber optic cable connecting the

two signalized intersections to Manatee County's regional Advanced Traffic Management System (ATMS).

This week, crews will work to spread, mix, and grade the roadway subgrade and base material from Uihlein Road to the eastern limits of the project. Roadway embankment grading will continue throughout the project limits with construction of curb pads, followed by curb installation. Drainage work will continue on SR 70 between Uihlein Road and Greenbrook Boulevard.

Work will continue with construction of two eastbound bridges. The westernmost bridge will have the bridge deck forms removed and construct approach slabs. All work will occur during daytime hours.

All work will be off the roadway with no planned long-term lane closures. However, it is expected that eastbound traffic will be interrupted for short periods of time throughout the day with flaggers as the dump trucks cross from east to west at the bridge locations. Please use caution and watch for trucks and construction vehicles entering or exiting the work zone throughout the construction limits. Work will occur Monday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please use caution and be aware of workers and flaggers in the area.

The contractor will continue reconstruction of Del Webb Boulevard at SR 70 during daytime hours. During this time, no traffic entering or exiting is allowed while the existing roadway will be under construction. Motorists should use caution in the area and follow the provided detour route provided to Del Webb's southern entrance off Masters Avenue. This week, paving will occur at Del Webb, followed by temporary pavement markings and signage.

**SR 70 from Bourneside Boulevard to Waterbury Road, Bradenton:** Construction project: This project includes widening SR 70 from Bourneside Boulevard to Waterbury Road from a two-lane undivided roadway to a four-lane divided roadway, Safety features will include roundabouts to be constructed at 197th Street East/Lindrick Lane, 213th Street East, 225th Street East/Panther Ridge Trail and County Road 675/Waterbury Road. The project will also include the installation of a new drainage system, new curb and gutter, construction of 10-foot shared-use paths and 5-foot paved shoulders on both sides of the roadway, street lighting throughout the project and landscaping inside the roundabouts.

The contractor will be working on clearing existing trees and vegetation in the future pond area, between Lindrick Lane and 213th Street E. on the north side of SR 70 and clearing existing vegetation from the roadway to the right of way along SR 70 from Lindrick Lane and 225th Street E. on the south side of SR 70. Crews will install perimeter erosion control devices throughout the project; this work will be off the roadway along the project limits. Work will occur Sunday through Saturday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please use caution and be aware of workers and flaggers in the area.

Notice: The contractor will have permitted prescribed burns of cleared vegetation and trees in the future pond area, between Lindrick Lane and 213th Street E. on the north side of SR 70. This burning has been coordinated with local Florida Forest Service and will only occur during allowed daytime hours. Burns are regulated on a day-by-day basis and consider changes in weather.

**SR 70 (53rd Avenue West) Westbound from 15th Street East to 9th Street East:**

Maintenance: Crews will be repairing the outside lane roadway requiring a lane closure. Work is scheduled for November 12 through November 19, 2024, from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

**SR 64 at Lorraine Road South and 145<sup>th</sup> Street North:** Construction: Crews have begun work on the conversion of the traffic signal to a free-flowing roundabout.

- After the Rye Road Roundabout, SR 64 becomes a single lane in each direction. Please use caution for shifting lane patterns.
- **UPDATED: Starting in November / December, the project will shift work to Phase III moving work to the opposite side of the road at SR 64 and 145<sup>th</sup> Street (by the 7-11 Convenience Store).** This will include closing the 145<sup>th</sup> Street access to SR 64 for approximately 30 - 60 days. Please use the Rye Road access to the Mill Creek subdivision.
- Lorraine Road is open for right turns only onto Lorraine Road or alternately onto SR 64.
- The traffic signal at Lorraine Road will remain deactivated.

**SR 64 at Bourneside Boulevard to Rangeland Parkway:** Permit project: Manatee County has closed this section of Bourneside Boulevard through October. Please choose an alternate route.

**SR 64 from 43<sup>rd</sup> Street West to 15<sup>th</sup> Street East and from 10<sup>th</sup> Street West to 10<sup>th</sup> Street East:** Construction project: Construction is underway for the 1.7-mile resurfacing project through the City of Bradenton. Please use caution.

- **Overnight paving:** will run through December.
- Consider alternate routes.

**SR 64 from East of Manatee River to Bill Parrish Road:** Construction: Crews are making drainage improvements and replacing ditch pavement, shoulder gutter, guardrail, along with signing and pavement markings. Please be alert for lane closures and/ or flagging operations.

**SR 37 from SR 62 to Polk County Line:** Construction: Motorists can expect daytime lane closures all week from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., either north or southbound as crews work on sod placement.

## **OKEECHOBEE COUNTY**

**US 441 at NE 50<sup>th</sup> Drive (Hillard Road):** Permit project: Crews are constructing a temporary road connection to rebuild Hillard Road. This permit also includes the construction of a new driveway connection and right-turn lane for the new South Florida Water Management facility. There may be daytime and nighttime lane closures and traffic may be reduced to one lane in various areas. Please use caution in the area and watch for workers in the work zones.

**98 (SR 15/US 441/Parrott Avenue) from SW 23<sup>rd</sup> Street to SW 14<sup>th</sup> Street and US 98 (SR 15/US441/Parrott Avenue) from SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street to SW 5<sup>th</sup> Street:** Construction project: Crews will work on two projects in the area which will include milling, resurfacing, base work, drainage improvements, stormwater pond construction, ditch and shoulder regrading, curb and gutter, sidewalks, signing and pavement markings. There may be daytime and nighttime lane closures and traffic may be reduced to one lane in various areas. Please use caution in the area and watch for workers in the work zones.

- Starting the week of September 23, 2024, a southbound lane of US 98 (SR 15/US 441/Parrott Avenue) between SW 19<sup>th</sup> Street and SW 21<sup>st</sup> Street and the northbound left turn lane at Parrott Avenue and SW 21<sup>st</sup> will be closed. The closure of SW 21<sup>st</sup> Street at the intersection of Parrott Avenue to SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue will continue for approximately 30 days.
- Crews will be onsite installing new drainage improvements on SW 21<sup>st</sup> Street. Please follow posted signs, be aware of possible delays, include additional travel time, or consider alternate routes during the repair.

Anticipated completion is late 2024/early 2025.

**SR 70 From Highlands County Line to SW 21<sup>st</sup> Avenue:** Construction project: Crews will be working on radial widening, drainage, signage, traffic markings, roadway milling and resurfacing. There will be lane closures during construction on SR 70. Motorists should expect intermittent daytime eastbound and westbound lane

closures while crews work on milling and paving mainline and temporary widening. Anticipated completion is early 2025.

**SR 70 From East of US 441 to Northeast 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue:** Construction project: Crews will be working on milling and resurfacing, base work, drainage improvements, curb and gutter, guardrails, traffic signals, signage, pavement markings, lighting and other incidental construction.

- Motorists should expect intermittent daytime and nighttime lane closures to take place both eastbound and westbound on SR 70 between NE 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue and NE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue for curb/sidewalk removal and pour back. Lane closures will take place in the outside travel lanes.

Anticipated completion is early 2025.

## **POLK COUNTY**

**I-4 from Hillsborough County to Galloway Road:** Construction project: Crews will mill and resurface I-4, concrete pavement rehabilitation, guardrail upgrades, intelligent transportation systems, and signing and pavement markings. This week, crews work on resurfacing barrier walls, and wrong-way detection devices.

- Motorists should expect single lane closures on I-4 during nighttime/overnight hours from 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists expect double lane closures on I-4 during nighttime/overnight hours from 10 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect ramp closures on I-4 during nighttime/overnight hours from 9 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect lane shifts on I-4 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 2024.



**I-4 at CSX Railroad Bridge approximately 1200 feet west of Kathleen Road (Exit 31):** Construction project: This project includes replacing the existing 250-foot bridge with two new 400-foot bridges to provide for CSX double tracking and will accommodate future expansion of I-4. The contractor will be working off the roadway with no anticipated lane closures.

**US 98 from Old Stokes Road to US 27:** Construction project: Improvements include, reducing the existing 12-foot-wide lanes to 11-foot-wide to provide for 6-foot paved shoulders, adding cross-drain pipes to improve drainage, extending the left turn lane, and constructing a traffic separator that will close the existing median opening on US 98 just west of US 27 for improved safety. During construction, CSX will improve the railroad tracks west of US 27. Watch for possible daytime lane closures with flaggers directing traffic for paving.

**US 98 (East Broadway Avenue) from Church Street to the Fort Meade Recreation Area:** Construction project: This project includes bridge construction and demolition, milling and resurfacing, pedestrian, and drainage improvements, signing and pavement markings, and lighting improvements. Crews will be taking delivery of materials, pulling electrical wire, installing traffic railing, curb, gutter, lighting and working on new roadway alignment.

- Expect intermittent lane closures throughout the project from 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., Monday, November 18, through Friday, November 22, 2024.
- Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**US 98 from south of Griffin Road to Sharon Drive:** This project includes milling and resurfacing, repairing and improving drainage, improvements at Pyramid Parkway, special emphasis crosswalks, enhanced lighting, upgraded signal equipment, new signs northbound identifying the I-4 ramps, and painted bike lanes for emphasis. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures both north and southbound from Griffin Road to Interstate 4. Use caution and be prepared to merge. For more information on this project, visit [www.swfroads.com/project/445468-1](http://www.swfroads.com/project/445468-1).

**US 98 from Norton Road to W Dees Road:** Maintenance contracts project: Watch for north and southbound lane closures from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. through Friday, December 6, 2024, as the contractor performs ditch work. Use caution and watch for workers close to the road.

**US 98 from West Socrum Loop Road to CR 54:** Construction project: The improvements under this project include widening US 98 to a 4-lane divided highway, creating roundabouts at the Big Cypress Boulevard and SR 471 intersections, relocating utilities, improving drainage, adding pedestrian

crosswalks, and building shared use paths from W. Socrum Loop Road / Hall Road to just north of Rock Ridge Road.

- Expect lane closures with flagging operations from south of W. Socrum Loop Road to north of Rock Ridge Road from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday, November 17 through Thursday, November 21. Be prepared to stop and be alert to lanes shifted to new, temporary traffic alignments.
- Expect periodic lane closures with flagging operations (up to one-half mile at a time) between Rock Ridge Road and SR 471 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday, November 18 through Friday, November 22. Be prepared to stop.
- The speed limit has been reduced to 45 MPH on US 98 throughout the project limits.

**US 92 from SR 570 Westbound Exit Ramp to Hamptons Golf and Country Club:**

Maintenance permits: Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. as crews work on shoulders, construct a right turn lane into Everest Hospital and work in the median. Use caution and be prepared to merge or stop. Work is expected to continue through late 2024.

**US 27 from Ronald Reagan Boulevard to Elgin Boulevard:** Maintenance permits: Watch for nighttime/overnight northbound lane closures from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. as crews work within the shoulder on proposed turn lanes for a future development.

**US 27 at Forest Lake Drive:** Maintenance permit project: Both the northbound and southbound turn lanes on US 27 will be closed at Forest Lake Drive as the county closes and reconstructs Forest Lake Drive. Watch for additional lane closures as crews reconstruct the median on US 27. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**US 27 from LaVista Drive to North Boulevard West:** Maintenance permit project: A single northbound inside lane will be closed from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Fridays while the contractor works in the median through late November. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**SR 572 from Airport Road to Pipkin Creek Road and SR 572 Roundabout at Waring Road:** Construction project: Project improvements include resurfacing and lane widening on SR 572 and a new roundabout at Waring Road. This week, crews will work on utilities, drainage and roadway grading.

- Waring Road from the SR 572/Drane Field Road intersection to immediately south of Drane Field Road will be closed intermittently until January 2025. Motorists are advised to follow the posted detour or identify alternative routes.

- Motorists should expect lane closures through the duration of the construction.
  - Resurfacing project – expect lane closures during the nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.
  - Roundabout – expect lane closures during the nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. and from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- Motorists should expect lane shifts through the duration of the construction.
- Drivers should exercise caution and be aware of construction vehicles entering and exiting the roadway through the duration of the construction.

Variable message signs will be in place to alert drivers that work is underway. Estimated completion is Spring 2026.

**SR 570 (Polk Parkway) from I-4 to Old Dixie Highway:** Construction project: Florida's Turnpike Enterprise is converting an 18-mile portion of Polk Parkway/SR 570 to electronic tolling between I-4 and Old Dixie Highway/CR 546 in Polk County. This project includes constructing three new toll gantries at the Western Mainline (milepost 8), Central Mainline (milepost 13), and SR 540 New Mainline (milepost 15.5), removing cash toll collections and replacing them with SunPass and TOLL-BY-PLATE and demolishing the existing Western and Central Mainline toll plazas. Work is anticipated to be completed in **mid-2024**. This is a Florida Turnpike Enterprise project. For more information or questions about the project and/or traffic impacts contact Louis Grisoglio at [Louis.Grisoglio@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Louis.Grisoglio@dot.state.fl.us).

**570 (Polk Parkway) from US 92 to I-4:** Construction project: Florida's Turnpike Enterprise is widening a four-mile segment of Polk Parkway/SR 570 to four lanes, between Old Dixie Highway/CR 546 and south of Pace Road and resurfacing the existing four-lane portions between US 92 and I-4 in Polk County. This project includes constructing a new interchange at Polk Parkway and Braddock Road, widening Braddock Road from west of Polk Parkway to Berkley Road and constructing new electronic tolling points on Polk Parkway and Braddock Road ramps. Work also consists of resurfacing the ramps at CR 546, improving signage, pavement markings, signalization lighting and drainage throughout the project and improving local roads including the realignment of the City of Auburndale Water Treatment Plant access road and the neighborhood access road south of Braddock Road, as well as minor resurfacing on Berkley Road at the Braddock Road intersection. This is a Florida Turnpike Enterprise project. For more information or questions about the project and/or traffic impacts contact Louis Grisoglio at [Louis.Grisoglio@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Louis.Grisoglio@dot.state.fl.us).

**SR 570B (Central Polk Parkway):** Turnpike project: Florida's Turnpike Enterprise is constructing Central Polk Parkway/State Road (SR) 570B, a new, four-lane (two lanes in each direction) tolled roadway. This new stretch of roadway will begin at Polk Parkway/SR 570 and Winter Lake Road/SR 540 and extend approximately 6.5 miles to US 17/SR 35. Expect lane closures and intermittent work on SR 540 (Winter Lake Road) and at the on and off ramps for SR 570 (Polk Parkway). Use caution and be prepared to merge. This is a Florida Turnpike Enterprise project. For more information or questions about the project and/or traffic impacts contact Louis Grisoglio at [Louis.Grisoglio@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Louis.Grisoglio@dot.state.fl.us).

**SR 563 (Harden Boulevard) from south of Beaker Road to Forest Park Street:** Construction project: This project includes milling and resurfacing the roadway, adding sidewalk, upgrading pedestrian signal equipment, removing some trees for improved visibility, drainage work, and removing delineators and adding curb at Forest Park Street. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures as crews begin paving side street entrances and corrections. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**SR 563 (Sikes Boulevard/Kathleen Road) from George Jenkins Boulevard to MLK Jr. Avenue:** Maintenance permit project: Crews will be working on driveway/side street and placing curb and sidewalk. Watch for southbound lane closures, use caution, and be prepared to merge.

**SR 559 from I-4 to SR 33 (Commonwealth Avenue):** Construction project: This project includes milling and resurfacing, asphalt driveway reconstruction, shoulder widening, turn lane reconstruction and widening, sodding, and new traffic signals and supplemental lighting at the I-4 ramps. This week crews will work on signals. Watch for shoulder closures on the bridge above I-4. Use caution and be prepared to merge or stop.

**SR 544 (Havendale Boulevard) at US 17 (8<sup>th</sup> Street NW):** Construction Project: Safety improvements under this contract include extending the eastbound left turn lane from Havendale Boulevard to US 17, closing the median openings at 9<sup>th</sup> Street NW and 10<sup>th</sup> Street NW, restriping both directions of US 17 to include a single left turn lane and two dedicated through lanes, adding high-visibility crosswalks and upgrading signal equipment. Expect lane closures for signal work at the intersection. Use caution, watch for workers close to the road, and be prepared to merge or stop.

**SR 540 (Cypress Gardens Boulevard) from Old Helena Road to Waterview Way:** Maintenance permit project: Expect eastbound and westbound lane shifts and changes to the traffic pattern as crews construct a new intersection. Use caution and be prepared to merge or stop.

**SR 540 (Cypress Gardens Boulevard) from Waterview Way to Lake Ruby Drive:** Maintenance permit project: Watch for westbound lane closures from 9 a.m. to

4 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. as crews install new turn lanes. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**SR 60 from Royster Mine Road to CR 555:** Maintenance contracts project: Watch for westbound and eastbound lane closures from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., through Sunday, November 17, as the contractor performs shoulder rework in the outside shoulders. Use caution and watch for workers close to the road.

**SR 60 (West Canal Street) at Diesel Road:** Utility project: Watch for lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and/or from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. as crews place two transmission lines and perform miscellaneous overhead work. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**SR 60 from South County Line Road in Mulberry to US 27:** Maintenance: Watch for daytime lane closures and equipment entering and exiting the roadway as crews trim trees and repair washouts. Use caution and be prepared to merge or stop.

**SR 37 (South Florida Avenue) from Palencia Place to Scottsdale Loop:** Maintenance permits: expect lane closures from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m., Thursday, November 14 through Friday, November 15, as crews install monitoring wells in the median. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**SR 33 (Lakeland Hills Boulevard) from Parkview Place to Griffin Road:** Construction project: Project improvements include roadway reconstruction, milling & resurfacing, placing curb and gutter, installing a new drainage system, widening sidewalk, upgrading signals and lighting, and upgrading water and sewer lines for the City of Lakeland. This week workers will mill the old northbound lanes and begin underground work.

- Traffic remains in one lane in each direction but is now shifted to the west side of Lakeland Hills Boulevard so crews can begin underground drainage and utility work under the existing northbound lanes. The lanes will remain in this configuration for several months.
- Traffic will remain in one lane in each direction for most of the duration of construction.
- The speed limit has been reduced to 35 mph during construction
- Use caution, be prepared to merge and plan for delays

**SR 17 (Scenic Highway) from 5<sup>th</sup> Street to Crooked Lake Drive:** Construction project: This full depth reclamation (FDR) project includes removing and

reclaiming the roadway and underlying base to create a stronger base for the new roadway, adding new pavement, improving drainage, reconstructing some side street entrances and repairing and replacing sidewalk and curb. This week the contractor will continue drainage work.

**SR 17 (Scenic Highway) at Hillcrest Avenue:** Construction project: This drainage improvement project includes adding curb inlets, cross drains, and pipe to improve drainage, reconstructing curb, gutter and sidewalk on the west side of Scenic Highway, improving ADA accessibility at sidewalk curb ramps, replacing guardrail, updating signs and reconstructing the intersection at Hillcrest Avenue. Crews have closed Scenic Highway from Grove Avenue to Hillcrest Avenue to install new drainage structures and reconstruct the roadway.

- Local motorists should follow the posted detour using Winston Avenue, South 4th Street and Domaris Avenue.
- Truck traffic is detoured using Hunt Brothers Road, US 27, and East Mountain Lake Cutoff Road.
- The contractor has removed the sidewalk on the west side of the project. Follow the temporary pedestrian detour.

Visit [www.swflroads.com/project/446369-1](http://www.swflroads.com/project/446369-1) for more information on this project.

**SR 17 from Kokomo Road to Water Tank Road:** Utility project: Expect periodic lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays, through the end of November as utility crews replace poles. Use caution and be prepared to merge or stop.

**SR 17 from Bannon Island Road to Hughs Road:** Maintenance: Watch for southbound daytime lane closures as crews construct a right turn lane for a future development at Floyd Road. Use caution and prepare to merge or stop.

**County Line Road over Peace River Bridge:** Construction project: This project includes replacing the County Line Bridge over the Peace River in Polk and Hardee Counties. The new bridge will have two 12-foot lanes with additional eight-foot shoulders. This week crews will be placing substructure elements and continue driving piles for the new bridge. Motorists should follow the posted detours.

- Eastbound: Head north or south on US 17 to Hardee Street and east on Hardee Street to Lake Branch Road. Head southeast on Lake Branch Road to Platt Road and head north back to County Line Road.

- Westbound: Head east or west on County Line Road to Platt Road. Head south on Platt Road to Lake Branch Road and head west to Hardee Street. Turn left (west) on Hardee Street to US 17. Turn right (north) on US 17 back to County Line Road.

More information on this project and graphics of the signed detours can be found at [www.swflroads.com/project/439441-1](http://www.swflroads.com/project/439441-1).

### **South Parkway Frontage Road from Harden Boulevard to Old Highway 37:**

Maintenance permits: Crews will be adding new watermain and force main pipes to serve a new apartment complex. Work includes directional drilling. Watch for workers and equipment close to the road. Installation is expected to be completed by the end of 2024.

## **SARASOTA COUNTY**

**I-75 at SR 72/Clark Road (Exit 205):** Construction project: Project improvements include reconstructing the existing interchange to a Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI), adding auxiliary lane on I-75 northbound from SR 72 to Bee Ridge Road, widen I-75 southbound from Proctor Road to SR 72, and improvements on Clark Road. This week, crews will work on the ramps and paving.

- Motorists should expect single lane closures on I-75 during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. bound through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect double lane closures on I-75 during nighttime/overnight hours from 10 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect lane closures on SR 72 during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. through the duration of the construction.
- Motorists should expect lane shifts on I-75 and SR 72 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 December 2024.

**US 41 from North of Port Commons to State College of Florida:** Construction project: Project improvements include milling and resurfacing, guardrail, drainage improvements, signing and pavement markings, and signalization improvements. Expected completion is fall 2024.

This week, crews will work on asphalt paving, bus pad installation and miscellaneous construction activities. Motorists should expect daytime lane closures Monday through Friday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. and nighttime lane closures Sunday through Friday from 8 p.m. to 7 a.m.

Please use caution and watch for workers and flaggers, and construction vehicles entering or exiting the work zone throughout the construction limits.

Motorists should use caution when making U-turns and be aware of workers in the area.

**US 41 at Wellen Park Villages Roundabout:** Permit project: Construction of the remaining roundabout at Wellen Park continues on US 41. Motorists can expect paving mid-November with a traffic switch to follow. Lane closures are required. Consider alternate routes or add additional travel time during peak hours. Use caution in the area.

**US 41 from Caribbean Drive to Stickney Point:** Construction: Construction on the next phase along a 1.4-mile area of US 41 from Caribbean Drive to Stickney Point Road is actively underway. Work consists of implementing safety improvements along the corridor including resurfacing, lighting and signalization, median improvements, shoulder reconstruction, improved sidewalks, improved bicycle lanes, as well as needed infrastructure improvements to drainage, curb, and gutter.

- **This week, there will be daytime lane closures as they finish out paving and signal work in the area to complete the project. Please add additional travel time.**
- Travel time through the area is only one (1) to five (5) minutes.

**US 301 from 12<sup>th</sup> Street to Dr. Martin Luther King Way:** Construction: Crews will begin intersection improvements along US 301 in Sarasota County. The project was requested by the Traffic Safety Department to improve safety and enhance traffic flow along the corridor. Improvements include adding signal heads, additional signage, and special emphasis crosswalks. Additional improvements



include a proposed restricted crossing U-turn (RCUT) at the 21st Street intersection adding a Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB) on mast-arm assemblies.

Due to needed schedule changes after delays from Hurricanes Helene and Milton, daytime lane closures are allowable from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and overnight lane closures for paving. There will be a permanent merge lane closure at 12<sup>th</sup> Street turning right onto US 301 South. The intersection improvement project will go through late spring 2025.

Travel times will be monitored. Motorists may wish to add additional travel time or choose an alternate route.

**SR 72 Stickney Point Bridge:** Bridge maintenance: This bridge improvement project will extend the bridge's service life and operational reliability, mitigating the effects of the harsh coastal environment, severe weather, and wear from the volume of vehicle and marine traffic.

**NOTE: Due to the delays caused by Hurricane Helene and Milton and to minimize the number of traffic diversions needed to complete the project, bridge diversions will now be three days per week.** The goal is to work through two more weeks and complete all the needed bridge diversions. We are monitoring the morning traffic going on island and making adjustments to reduce travel time.

- **THIS WEEK – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, one bridge will be closed with the opposite bridge maintaining single lanes of traffic in each direction.**
- **The week of Thanksgiving from Sunday, November 24, to Sunday, December 1, there will be no lane closures.**
- There are no planned lane closures or bridge diversions on the weekends, except for the Saturday before Thanksgiving.
- Travel time to get on island during the morning peak hours was 5 to 10 minutes this week, and adjustments are being made to reduce this. Motorists may want to use the north bridge or add additional travel time.
- Outside of morning peak times to get on the island, travel time ranges from approximately 1 to 5 minutes and will continually be monitored.
- Daytime single lane closures will continue Mondays and Fridays.
- Pedestrian detours will be needed during bridge diversions. Pedestrians can use the alternate side of the bridge. Please use caution.

- Drivers may want to use the north Siesta Drive bridge or add additional travel time.

**SR 72 Clark Road and the Legacy Trail:** Construction Project: Crews are constructing two new pedestrian bridges and intersection improvements along the Legacy Trail in Sarasota County. No current lane closures. Expected completion is winter 2025.

**SR 758 Bee Ridge Road at the Legacy Trail:** Construction project: Crews are constructing two new pedestrian bridges and intersection improvements along the Legacy Trail in Sarasota County. Expected completion is winter 2025.

**UPCOMING – DETOUR:** a detour will be in place overnight starting November 19, Tuesday, from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. for installing beams and various overhead bridge activities. Nightly detours are expected for 2-3 days. Following this, additional overnight detours will be scheduled later on for the deck pour and to remove the overhang brackets.

**SR 777 River Road from I-75 to US 41:** Construction project: Embankment activities continue on the southbound roadway from West Villages Parkway to US 41. Drainage inspections, sod placement, and curb and gutter installations will continue throughout the project. Signal, ITS, and lighting work is ongoing, and River Road pothole maintenance will continue as necessary on all current travel ways through the project. Trucks will be crossing the road at various locations using intermittent flagging operations.

- **NEW Traffic Pattern:** All traffic on SR 777 (River Road) has been switched to the new southbound alignment temporarily, from just south of Venice Avenue to south of Aucilla Drive. Please watch for signs directing traffic. Travelers should use caution when exiting neighborhoods onto River Road and are encouraged to slow down and use caution while traveling through the work zone.

**SR 789 Gulf of Mexico Drive through Longboat Key:** Motorists are advised to use caution and expect delays along this roadway due to an island-wide debris collection operation along the entire Gulf of Mexico Drive right-of-way. Flagged single lanes are facilitating the safe loading of debris trucks. Cyclists are also urged to avoid the area as unsafe conditions exist within the bike lanes during debris removal.

**West Venice Avenue to Nokomis Avenue South:** Special event permit: The City of Venice will hold the Annual Holiday Parade on Saturday, November 30, 2024, from 5:45 p.m. until 9:45 p.m. The parade route starts on W. Venice Avenue west of Avenue Des Parques South and continues east along W. Venice Avenue, turning south onto Nokomis Avenue South, and then turning west onto Turin Street West, ending at Riviera Street. Parking will be limited, and motorists will

need to follow signs and flaggers. Please be aware of pedestrians, flaggers, signs, barricades and cones prior to and during the event. For more information road closures visit the City of Venice website page at <https://www.venicegov.com/things-to-do/featured-events-attractions/venice-holiday-parade>.

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