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## **TURNPIKE to CLOSE BETWEEN COMMERCIAL BLVD and COCONUT CREEK PARKWAY OVERNIGHT for CONSTRUCTION**

Fort Lauderdale, FL (December 10, 2007) — Florida's Turnpike will be closed between Commercial Boulevard (Exit 62) and Coconut Creek Parkway (Exit 67) beginning Monday, December 17 at 11 p.m. through Tuesday, December 18 at 5 a.m.

Southbound traffic will be detoured off the Turnpike at Coconut Creek Parkway (Exit 67) and northbound traffic will be detoured off the Turnpike at Commercial Boulevard (Exit 62). Multiple message boards have been placed throughout the affected areas forewarning drivers of this upcoming closure. [See diagram attached for detour information.](#) The Pompano Service Plaza and Citgo Station will also be closed for this evening.

This closure is necessary to allow work crews to install a 181' wide overhead sign as part of the Open Road Tolling (ORT) conversion currently underway, at the Cypress Creek Toll Plaza. ORT, will allow SunPass customers to remain at near highway speed while having their tolls deducted from their pre-prepaid accounts. This \$6.5 million dollar project is projected to be completed by the end of January 2008.

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