



# TRAFFIC ADVISORY



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## Central and West Central Florida Weekly Lane Closures and Work Zone Advisory

**OCOEE**— Florida's Turnpike announces lane closures and work zone information for construction and maintenance projects in Central Florida beginning Sunday, October 15. Motorists should drive with caution through the work zones, and adhere to posted detour signs and speed limits. All paving-related lane closures depend on weather conditions; rain may delay or cancel paving operations.

### SUMTER COUNTY

#### FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE AND I-75 INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS

- **Florida's Turnpike northbound and southbound**, single lane closures, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.
- **I-75 northbound**, single lane closures, 9:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.
- **I-75 southbound, no closures scheduled.**

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This road widening and improvement project will increase capacity and improve traffic operations at the I-75 interchanges with Florida's Turnpike and SR 44. It includes widening I-75 from four to six lanes from just north of the I-75/SR 44 interchange south through the I-75/Florida's Turnpike interchange, constructing a new flyover entrance ramp from SR 44 to the southbound Turnpike and constructing a new flyover exit ramp from northbound I-75 to SR 44. Work also includes replacing the flyover bridge from southbound I-75 to the southbound Turnpike and I-75, and major drainage improvements. This \$68.5 million-dollar project is expected to be complete in winter 2019.

## ORANGE COUNTY

### BEACHLINE EXPRESSWAY WIDENING PROJECT (MILEPOSTS 0-4)

#### I-4 to Florida's Turnpike

- **Beachline Expressway eastbound and westbound**, single lane closures, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.

#### Beachline Expressway Ramp Closures at International Drive

- **Beachline Expressway entrance ramp from International Drive, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 to Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – International Drive traffic will be detoured to Convention Way, then travel north to Universal Boulevard, then east to the Beachline Expressway eastbound.
- **Beachline Expressway exit ramp to International Drive, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 to Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – Beachline Expressway eastbound traffic will exit at Orangewood Boulevard, then travel north to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp, then west to International Drive.

#### Beachline Expressway Ramp Closures at Orangewood/Universal Boulevard

- **Beachline Expressway eastbound entrance ramp from Universal Boulevard southbound, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Tuesday, October 17 through Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – Universal Boulevard southbound traffic will be detoured at the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp, then travel west to International Drive, then south to the Beachline Expressway eastbound entrance ramp.
- **Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp from Universal Boulevard southbound, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – From Universal Boulevard southbound traffic will be detoured to the Beachline Expressway eastbound entrance ramp, then travel east to the Beachline Expressway exit ramp to John Young Parkway northbound, then travel north to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp.
- **Beachline Expressway eastbound exit ramp to Universal Boulevard, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 to Monday, October 16.**
  - DETOUR – Beachline Expressway eastbound traffic will exit at the ramp to John Young Parkway northbound, then travel north to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp, then west to Universal Boulevard.

#### Beachline Expressway ramp closures at John Young Parkway

- **Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp from John Young Parkway, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**

- DETOUR – John Young Parkway southbound traffic will be detoured to the Beachline Expressway eastbound entrance ramp, then travel east to the exit ramp to Consulate Drive, then north to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp.
- **Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp from John Young Parkway northbound, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – John Young Parkway northbound traffic will be detoured to Destination Parkway, then travel west to Universal Boulevard, then south to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp.
- **Beachline Expressway westbound exit ramp to John Young Parkway, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – Beachline Expressway westbound traffic will be detoured at the eastbound exit ramp to John Young Parkway northbound, then travel north to Commerce Park Drive, then east to Consulate Drive.

#### **Beachline Expressway ramp closures at Consulate Drive**

- **Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp from Consulate Drive, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – Consulate Drive traffic will be detoured to Commerce Park Drive, then travel west to John Young Parkway, then south to enter the Beachline Expressway westbound.
- **Beachline Expressway eastbound exit ramp to Consulate Drive, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR - Beachline Expressway eastbound traffic should exit at the ramp to John Young Parkway northbound, then travel north to Commerce Park Drive, then east to Consulate Drive.

#### **International Drive**

- **Northbound and southbound International Drive**, single lane closures, 7:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.

#### **Orangewood/Universal Boulevard**

- **Northbound Orangewood/Universal Boulevard**, single lane closures, 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.

#### **John Young Parkway**

- **Northbound and southbound John Young Parkway**, single lane closures, 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.

### **BEACHLINE EXPRESSWAY WIDENING PROJECT (MILEPOSTS 4-8)**

#### **Florida's Turnpike to McCoy Road**

- **Florida's Turnpike entrance ramp from Orange Blossom Trail/US 441 southbound, full ramp closure, 10:30 p.m. to 5 a.m., Monday, October 16 to Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – Orange Blossom Trail/US 441 southbound traffic will make a U-Turn at Consulate Drive, then travel on Orange Blossom Trail/US 441 northbound to the Turnpike entrance ramp.
- **Beachline Expressway eastbound, single lane closure, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., AND double lane closures, 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**
- **Beachline Expressway westbound, single lane closure, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 8 through Thursday, October 12.**
- **Landstreet Road/CR 527A eastbound and westbound, single lane closure, 10 p.m. to 7 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.**
- **Consulate Drive eastbound, full road closure, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Tuesday, October 17.**
  - DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to SR 528 westbound, then travel to John Young Parkway, then south to SR 528 eastbound, then exit to Consulate Drive eastbound.
- **Consulate Drive westbound, full road closure, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., Wednesday, October 18 through Thursday, October 19.**
  - DETOUR – SR 528 eastbound exit ramp traffic will be detoured to Consulate Drive and travel east to Orange Blossom Trail, then south to Taft Vineland Road, then west to John Young Parkway, then north to Commerce Park Drive, then east to Consulate Drive.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This \$174 million project widens SR 528, the Beachline Expressway, from four to eight lanes between Interstate 4 and the Turnpike, and from six to eight lanes from the Turnpike to McCoy Road. The project consists of the addition of two, tolled, SunPass-only Express Lanes between I-4 and John Young Parkway, and one-tolled, SunPass-only Express Lane between John Young Parkway and McCoy Road. The project includes ramp improvements at International Drive, Oranewood/Universal Boulevards and John Young Parkway, with auxiliary lanes between the ramps to alleviate traffic weaving. Six bridges will be widened and the bridge over Shingle Creek will be reconstructed. Noise walls behind the Williamsburg subdivision are included. New sidewalk connectivity along International Drive, Oranewood/Universal Boulevards and John Young Parkway is being provided. The existing through lanes from I-4 to the Beachline West Toll Plaza at Milepost 6 remain untolled. The project is scheduled for completion in 2019.

#### **TURNPIKE ORLANDO SOUTH INTERCHANGE IMPROVEMENTS (EXIT 254)**

- **UPCOMING: Orlando South Interchange Toll Plaza, entrance ramps and exit ramps, full closure for all from 12:01 a.m. to 4 a.m., on Monday, October 23 and Tuesday, October 24.**
  - NORTHBOUND TURNPIKE DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to exit 249, travel west to US 441/Orange Blossom Trail, then north to Consulate Drive to enter the Beachline Expressway westbound OR to Landstreet Road to enter the Beachline Expressway eastbound.
  - SOUTHBOUND TURNPIKE DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to exit 255 through the SunPass-only lane. Tolls will be suspended. Cross Consulate Drive to enter the Beachline Expressway westbound OR continue on Consulate Drive south to US 441/Orange Blossom Trail then travel north to Landstreet Road to enter the Beachline Expressway eastbound.
  - EASTBOUND BEACHLINE EXPRESSWAY DETOUR – Traffic will exit at Consulate Drive, and continue south on US 441/Orange Blossom Trail, then east on Osceola Parkway to enter Florida's Turnpike.

- WESTBOUND BEACHLINE EXPRESSWAY – Traffic will continue on the Beachline Expressway westbound to I-4 eastbound to the ramp to enter Florida’s Turnpike eastbound.
- US441/ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL TO NORTHBOUND TURNPIKE – Traffic will be detoured to Consulate Drive, then to the Beachline Expressway Westbound, then to I-4 Eastbound to enter Florida’s Turnpike.
- US441/ORANGE BLOSSOM TRAIL TO SOUTHBOUND TURNPIKE – Traffic will be detoured south on US 441 to Osceola Parkway, then travel east to enter Florida’s Turnpike.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Florida’s Turnpike is improving the Orlando South Interchange (Exit 254) in Orange County. The project includes milling and resurfacing, drainage improvements, curb & gutter, lighting, highway signing, guardrail, bridges, and constructing sidewalks between SR528, US441 and SR91. The approximate cost is \$10.3 million. Construction began in February 2017.

**TURNPIKE WIDENING FROM BEACHLINE EXPRESSWAY TO OSCEOLA PARKWAY  
& 417 RAMPS (MILEPOSTS 254 TO 249)**

- **Florida’s Turnpike northbound and southbound**, single lane closures, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15; **AND** 9:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday, October 16 through Friday, October 19.
- **Florida’s Turnpike northbound and southbound in the vicinity of Taft Vineland Road**, intermittent slow traffic, 11 p.m. to 4 a.m., Thursday, October 19 to Friday, October 20.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Florida’s Turnpike is being widened from four to eight lanes, including two express lanes in each direction, between Osceola Parkway and the Beachline Expressway/SR 528. The project includes constructing three ramps at the SR 417 interchange; northbound Turnpike to southbound SR 417, southbound Turnpike to northbound SR 417 and southbound Turnpike to southbound SR 417. Other improvements are widening and/or reconstructing ramps at the Osceola Parkway and Orlando South interchanges, replacing the ramp bridge at the Orlando South interchange, replacing the Turnpike bridges over the Central Florida Rail corridor and Central Florida Parkway/CSX railroad spur, and replacing the roadway overpasses at Orange Avenue/CR 527 and Taft-Vineland Road. The approximate cost is \$176 million. Construction began in April 2017 and expected to be completed in 2021.

**OSCEOLA COUNTY**

**RESURFACE FLORIDA’S TURNPIKE (MILEPOSTS 238 TO 249)**

- **Florida’s Turnpike northbound and southbound**, single lane closures, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15; **AND** 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Florida’s Turnpike is improving the pavement and ramps between mileposts 238 and 249. The \$11.7 million project includes asphalt milling and resurfacing, signing and pavement markings, and lighting improvements. Construction will continue through late 2017.

**OKEECHOBEE AND INDIAN RIVER COUNTIES**

**RESURFACE FLORIDA’S TURNPIKE (MILEPOSTS 185 to 190)**

- **Florida's Turnpike northbound and southbound**, single lane closures, 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, October 15; **AND** 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Florida's Turnpike is improving the pavement between mileposts 185 and 190. The \$10.2 million project includes asphalt milling and resurfacing, pavement markings, bridge joint repairs, guardrails and signage. Construction will continue through March 2018.

### **RESURFACE FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE (MILEPOSTS 176 TO 185)**

- **Florida's Turnpike northbound**, single lane closure in the vicinity of milepost 179, beginning at 5 a.m., Friday, October 13 and continuing around-the-clock until 5 p.m., Monday, October 16.
- **Florida's Turnpike northbound and southbound**, single lane closures, 10 p.m. to 10 a.m., Sunday, October 15; **AND** 9 p.m. to 10 a.m., Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Florida's Turnpike is improving the pavement and ramps between mileposts 178 and 185. The \$15.8 million project includes asphalt milling and resurfacing, drainage improvements and pavement markings. Construction will continue through March 2018.

### **HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY**

#### **VETERANS EXPRESSWAY TOLL MAINTENANCE**

- **Anderson Toll Plaza**, partial lane closure through the toll plaza, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Tuesday, October 17 to Wednesday, October 18.
- **Veterans Expressway southbound exit ramp to Wilsky Boulevard, full ramp closure, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Wednesday, October 18 to Thursday, October 19.**
  - **DETOUR** – Traffic will exit at Linebaugh Avenue, then travel west to Wilsky Boulevard.
- **Veterans Expressway northbound entrance ramp from Gunn Highway**, partial lane closure through the toll plaza, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Thursday, October 19 to Friday, October 20.

#### **VETERANS EXPRESSWAY (Toll 589) WIDENING (MILEPOSTS 9-14)**

##### **Sugarwood Toll Plaza to Van Dyke Road**

- **Veterans Expressway southbound**, single lane closures, 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.
- **Veterans Expressway northbound**, single lane closures, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.

##### **Lake Le Clare Road**

- **Lake Le Clare Road eastbound and westbound**, temporary lane closure, tentatively scheduled, under the Veterans Expressway, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, October 16 through Friday, October 20.

#### **Wilcox Road**

- **Wilcox Road eastbound and westbound**, temporary lane closure, tentatively scheduled, under the Veterans Expressway, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, October 16 through Friday, October 20.

#### **Rawls Road**

- **Rawls Road eastbound and westbound**, temporary lane closure, tentatively scheduled, under the Veterans Expressway, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, October 16 through Friday, October 20.

#### **Hutchison Road**

- **Hutchison Road eastbound and westbound**, temporary lane closure, tentatively scheduled, under the Veterans Expressway, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, October 16 through Friday, October 20.

#### **Memorial Highway to Gunn Highway – Express Lanes**

- **Veterans Expressway northbound, full closure all lanes, beginning at 10 p.m., Friday, October 20 and continuing through 1 p.m., Saturday, October 21.**
  - **DETOUR – Northbound traffic will exit at Linebaugh Avenue, then travel east to Anderson Road, then north to Gunn Highway, then west to the ramp to return to the Veterans Expressway OR from Linebaugh Avenue travel west to Sheldon Road, then north to Gunn Highway, then east to the ramp to return to the Veterans Expressway.**
- **Veterans Expressway northbound**, single lane closures, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.
- **Veterans Expressway southbound**, single lane closures, 7 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, October 15 through Thursday, October 19.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This \$380 million improvement project widens 11 miles of the Veterans Expressway (Toll 589) in Hillsborough County, providing much needed congestion relief to this regionally significant corridor. The improvements, which are divided into five separate projects, double the capacity of the highway from four to eight lanes. Improvements include reconstruction of 38 existing bridges and building three new bridges. The widening project also includes a concurrent project to convert the section of highway between Memorial Highway and Van Dyke Road to all-electronic tolling (AET), providing non-stop travel to the nearly 150,000 customers who travel the Veterans Expressway on a daily basis. The project also introduces the Express Lane concept to the region. A congestion management tool, Express Lanes offer motorists a choice that provides an opportunity for a through-trip, with greater trip reliability and safety. This \$11.2 million conversion project includes gantry foundation installation, toll plaza equipment buildings, asphalt milling/resurfacing, roadway reconstruction/widening, lighting, drainage, utilities, demolition and final landscape work.

### **HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY, PASCO COUNTY AND HERNANDO COUNTY**

## SUNCOAST PARKWAY (TOLL SR 589) ALL ELECTRONIC TOLLING CONVERSION (MILEPOSTS 14 – 55)

### Van Dyke Road to US 98

- **Suncoast Parkway northbound entrance ramp from Van Dyke Road, full ramp closure, all weekend, beginning at 9 p.m., Friday, October 20 and continuing through 5 a.m., Monday, October 23.**
  - DETOUR – Travel west Van Dyke Road to Gunn Highway, then travel north to Lutz Lake Fern Road, then east to enter the Suncoast Parkway.
- **Suncoast Parkway southbound entrance ramp from SR 50, full ramp closure, all weekend, beginning at 9 p.m., Friday, October 13 and continuing through 5 a.m., Monday, October 16.**
  - DETOUR – Travel on SR 50 west to Barclay Avenue, then south to Spring Hill Drive, then east to enter the Suncoast Parkway.
- **Anclote Toll Gantry southbound**, single lane closures, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19.
- **Anclote Toll Gantry northbound**, single lane closures, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m., Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19.
- **Oak Hammock Toll Gantry northbound and southbound**, single lane closure, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday, October 16 through Thursday, October 19.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This \$30 million improvement project to convert the section of highway between Van Dyke Road and US 98 to all-electronic tolling (AET), providing non-stop travel to customers who travel the Suncoast Parkway on a daily basis. This conversion project includes gantry foundation installation, toll plaza equipment buildings, asphalt milling/resurfacing, roadway widening at the new gantry locations, lighting, drainage, utilities, and demolition.

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