



# 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, August 13. 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, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **I-75 northbound**, single lane closures, 9:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **I-75 southbound**, single lane closures, 10:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.

**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

#### I-4 ULTIMATE

- **I-4 westbound exit ramp to Florida's Turnpike**, intermittent ramp closures, 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Friday, August 18.

**PROJECT INFORMATION:** For detours and other information about this FDOT construction project, visit <http://i4ultimate.com/>.

## 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, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.

### Beachline Expressway Ramp Closures at International Drive

- **Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp from International Drive, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.**
  - DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to the Beachline Expressway eastbound entrance ramp, then travel east to Universal Boulevard, then north to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp.

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

- **Beachline Expressway eastbound entrance ramp from Universal Boulevard northbound, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.**
  - DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp, then travel west to International Drive, then south to the Beachline Expressway eastbound entrance ramp.
- **Beachline Expressway eastbound exit ramp to Universal Boulevard, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.**
  - DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to the Beachline Expressway eastbound exit 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 eastbound entrance ramp from John Young Parkway, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.**
  - DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured at Taft Vineland Road, then travel east to South Orange Blossom Trail/US 92/US 441, then north to West Landstreet Road, then east to the Beachline Expressway entrance ramp.
- **Beachline Expressway eastbound exit ramp to John Young Parkway southbound, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.**
  - DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to the Beachline Expressway eastbound exit ramp at Consulate Drive, then travel north to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp, then west to the Beachline Expressway westbound exit ramp to John Young Parkway.
- **Beachline Expressway eastbound exit ramp to John Young Parkway northbound, full ramp closure, 11 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.**
  - DETOUR – Traffic will be detoured to the Consulate Drive exit ramp, then travel north to the Beachline Expressway westbound entrance ramp, then west to John Young Parkway.

## International Drive

- **Northbound and southbound International Drive**, single lane closures, 7:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.

## Orangewood/Universal Boulevard

- **Northbound Orangewood/Universal Boulevard**, single lane closures, 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.

## John Young Parkway

- **Northbound and southbound John Young Parkway**, single lane closures, 9:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.

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

### Florida's Turnpike to McCoy Road

- **Southbound US 441/Orange Blossom Trail between the Beachline Expressway and Landstreet Road, long-term single lane closure, around-the-clock, continuing through 12 a.m., Sunday, August 13. Two travel lanes will remain open to traffic.**
- **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, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **Beachline Expressway westbound**, single lane closure, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **Florida's Turnpike**, single lane closure, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.; **AND** double lane closure, 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **Florida's Turnpike**, single lane closure, 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.; **AND** double lane closure, 10 p.m. to 5 a.m., Wednesday, August 16 through Thursday, August 17.
- **US 441/Orange Blossom Trail southbound**, single lane closure, 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.; **AND** double lane closure, 1 a.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.

**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, Orangewood/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, Orangewood/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)

- **No closures scheduled.**

**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, August 13;  
**AND** 9:30 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday, August 14 through Thursday, August 17.

**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, August 13;  
**AND** 9 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday, August 14 through Thursday, August 17.

**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.

**TURNPIKE MAINTENANCE (MILEPOST 242)**

- **Florida's Turnpike northbound**, single lane closures, 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., Monday, August 14 and Tuesday, August 15.

**OKEECHOBEE AND INDIAN RIVER COUNTIES**

**RESURFACE FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE (MILEPOSTS 178 TO 185)**

- **No closures scheduled.**

**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.

## 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, August 13; **AND** 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Monday, August 14 through Friday, August 18.

**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.

## HILLSBOROUGH COUNTY

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

#### Sugarwood Toll Plaza to Van Dyke Road

- **Veterans Expressway northbound, full road closure with detour, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., Tuesday, August 15.**  
*Alternate dates in case of weather delays are Wednesday, August 16 or Thursday, August 17.*
  - **DETOUR** – Traffic will exit at Ehrlich Road and travel east to Hutchison Road, then travel north to return to the Veterans Expressway.
- **Veterans Expressway southbound**, single lane closures, 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **Veterans Expressway northbound, single lane closures**, single lane closures, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.

#### 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, August 14 through Friday, August 18.

#### Wilcox Road

- **Wilcox Road beneath the Veterans Expressway overpass, full road closure, 8 p.m. to 6 a.m.; Sunday, August 13 through Friday, August 18.**
  - **DETOUR WESTBOUND** – Travel west on Hutchison Road, then north on Tobacco Road, then east on Lake Le Clare Road, then south on Lakeshore Road to return to Wilcox Road.
  - **DETOUR EASTBOUND** – Travel east on Wilcox Road to Lakeshore Road, then travel north to Lake Le Clare Road, then west to Tobacco Road, then south to Hutchison Road, then east to return to Wilcox Road.
- **Wilcox Road eastbound and westbound**, temporary lane closure, tentatively scheduled, under the Veterans Expressway, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, August 14 through Friday, August 18.

## Rawls Road

- **Rawls Road eastbound and westbound**, temporary lane closure, tentatively scheduled, under the Veterans Expressway, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, August 14 through Friday, August 18.

## Hutchison Road

- **Hutchison Road eastbound and westbound**, temporary lane closure, tentatively scheduled, under the Veterans Expressway, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday, August 14 through Friday, August 18.

## Memorial Highway to Gunn Highway – Express Lanes

- **Veterans Expressway northbound**, single lane closures, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **Veterans Expressway southbound**, single lane closures, 7 p.m. to 5 a.m., Sunday, August 13 through Thursday, August 17.
- **Veterans Expressway southbound entrance ramp from Gunn Highway, 9 p.m. to 5 a.m., Thursday, August 17.**
  - WESTBOUND DETOUR – From Gunn Highway continue west to Sheldon Road, then travel south to Linebaugh Avenue, then east to enter the Veterans Expressway.
  - EASTBOUND DETOUR – From Gunn Highway continue east to Anderson Road, then travel south to Waters Avenue, then west to return to the Veterans Expressway.

**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, 12 a.m. to 5 a.m., Tuesday, August 15 and Wednesday, August 16.** *This ramp will not be closed at the same time as the Suncoast Parkway northbound exit ramp to SR 54*

- DETOUR – Travel on Van Dyke Road west to Gunn Highway, then travel north to Lutz Lake Fern Road, then east to enter the Suncoast Parkway.
- **Suncoast Parkway northbound exit ramp to SR 54, full ramp closure, 12 a.m. to 5 a.m., Wednesday, August 16 and Thursday, August 17.** *This ramp will not be closed at the same time as the Suncoast Parkway southbound entrance ramp from SR 54.*
  - DETOUR – Exit at Lutz Lake Fern Road, then travel west to Gunn Highway, then north to SR 54.
- **Suncoast Parkway southbound entrance ramp from SR 54, full ramp closure, 12 a.m. to 5 a.m., Thursday, August 17 and Friday, August 18.** *This ramp will not be closed at the same time as the Suncoast Parkway southbound exit ramp to Van Dyke Road.*
  - DETOUR – Travel on SR 54 west to Gunn Highway, then travel south to Lutz Lake Fern Road, then east to enter the Suncoast Parkway.
- **Suncoast Parkway southbound exit ramp to Van Dyke Road, full ramp closure, 12 a.m. to 5 a.m., Friday, August 18.**
  - DETOUR – Exit at Lutz Lake Fern Road, then travel west to Gunn Highway, then south to Van Dyke Road.
- **Suncoast Parkway northbound exit ramp to SR 50, full ramp closure, around-the-clock, from 9 p.m., Friday, August 18 continuing through 5 a.m., Monday, August 21.**
  - DETOUR – Exit at Springhill Drive, then travel west to Barclay Avenue, then north to SR 50.
- **Spring Hill Toll Gantry northbound and southbound, single lane closure, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday, August 14 through Thursday, August 17.**
- **Oak Hammock Toll Gantry northbound and southbound, single lane closure, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday, August 14 through Thursday, August 17.**

**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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