

SOUTH FLORIDA AND TREASURE COAST WEEKLY LANE CLOSURES AND WORK ZONE ADVISORY

FORT LAUDERDALE — Florida's Turnpike announces updated lane closures and work zones due to construction and maintenance projects in Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Martin and St. Lucie counties, **for the week beginning Sunday, Nov. 8.**

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

TURNPIKE ALL-ELECTRONIC OPEN ROAD TOLLING U.S. 1 TO S.R. 836 (MILEPOST 0-26)

- One Turnpike lane in each direction will be closed in the vicinity of the Homestead toll plaza from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, through Tuesday, Nov. 10. One lane in each direction will remain open.
- All SunPass-only open road tolling lanes will be closed at the *northbound* and *southbound* Bird Road toll plazas between 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. Monday, Nov. 9, and Tuesday, Nov. 10.
 - All traffic will be diverted to the SunPass/cash tollbooths. Should inclement weather prevent the work from being completed as scheduled, the work and closures will take place the following evening.
- One of three *northbound* SunPass-only open road tolling lanes and three traditional tollbooths will be closed at the Bird Road toll plaza from 9 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 10, to 6 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Bird Road and Homestead mainline toll plazas and the 17 ramp plazas located between the U.S. 1 and S.R. 836 interchanges are being upgraded to allow for all-electronic tolling on this segment of the Turnpike beginning in early 2011. Cash toll collections will be eliminated simultaneously at all the toll plazas. Approximate cost: \$33 million.

TURNPIKE – MILLING AND RESURFACING PROJECTS (MILEPOST 0-9)

- The right lane and shoulder will be closed on various segments of the *southbound* Turnpike between S. Dixie Highway/U.S. 1 (Exit 1) and Allapattah Road (Exit 9) from 8 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, through Thursday, Nov. 12.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Construction is underway to remove the existing pavement and to resurface and restripe various segments of the Turnpike: from the U.S. 1 (Exit 1) to Allapattah Road (Exit 9). The project is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2010. Approximate cost: \$5.5 million.

OKEECHOBEE TOLL PLAZA OPEN ROAD TOLLING AND NW 74TH STREET INTERCHANGE (MILEPOST 32)

- Two Turnpike lanes in each direction will be closed north and south of the Okeechobee toll plaza from 10 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 8, through Thursday, Nov. 12, for asphalt work, lighting and maintenance of traffic activities. At least one lane in each direction will remain open.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Okeechobee mainline toll plaza will be converted into an open-road tolling plaza that will allow motorists with SunPass to travel at highway speeds while their toll is collected via SunPass equipment overhead ... no gates, no tollbooths. Cash-paying motorists will pull off the highway onto ramps with traditional tollbooths and then merge back onto the travel lanes. A new SunPass-only interchange is under construction at Northwest 74th Street. Construction began in January 2007 and is scheduled for completion in the spring 2010. Approximate cost: \$64.8 million.

TURNPIKE – BRIDGE PAINTING AT MIAMI GARDENS DRIVE

- One lane in each direction may be closed as needed on Miami Gardens Drive, beneath the Turnpike overpass, between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 9, through Friday, Nov. 13.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project consists of cleaning and painting the Turnpike bridge over Miami Gardens Drive. Work began in late August and is scheduled for completion by the end of January 2010. Approximate cost: \$260,000.

MIRAMAR TOLL PLAZA (MILEPOST 47)

- One northbound or southbound Turnpike lane and shoulder will be closed at the Miramar toll plaza between 9 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, and 6 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 12, as work crews obtain soil samples.
 - At least one lane in each direction will remain open.

BROWARD COUNTY

TURNPIKE WIDENING – GRIFFIN ROAD TO SUNRISE BOULEVARD (MILEPOST 53 to 58)

- One to two lanes in both directions will be closed periodically on the Turnpike between Griffin Road (Exit 53) and Sunrise Boulevard (Exit 58) from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday, November 8, through Friday, November 13.

Interchanges affected:

- Periodic, off peak, night time lane closures both eastbound and westbound on I-595 under the Turnpike from Sunday, November 8, through Friday, November 13.

TURNPIKE WIDENING – SUNRISE BOULEVARD TO ATLANTIC BOULEVARD (MILEPOST 58 to 66)

- One to two lanes in both directions will be closed periodically on the Turnpike between Sunrise Boulevard (Exit 58) and Atlantic Boulevard (Exit 66) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday, November 8, through Friday, November 13.

Local road affected:

- Periodic, off peak, night time lane closures in both directions on Commercial Boulevard from Sunday, November 8, through Friday, November 13.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is a multi-million dollar construction program to widen Florida's Turnpike in Broward County, an additional travel lane is being added to both the northbound and southbound directions. There are three active phases in progress from Griffin Road (Exit 53) and Atlantic Boulevard (Exit 66). Approximate project cost: \$260 million.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

TURNPIKE INTERCHANGE RECONFIGURATION – LAKE WORTH ROAD (MILEPOST 93)

A lane in each direction will be closed periodically on the Turnpike between the West Palm Beach Service Plaza (Milepost 94) and Hypoluxo (Milepost 90) between 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. on Sunday, November 8, through Friday, November 13.

Local roads affected:

- Periodic, off peak, nighttime lane closures both eastbound and westbound on Lake Worth Road from Sunday, November 8, through Friday, November 13.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is an interchange reconfiguration at the Turnpike's Lake Worth Interchange (Exit 93) which will split the existing plaza. A new plaza will be built in the southwest quadrant, providing separate access for northbound and southbound drivers. Approximate project cost: \$17.5 million.

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

TURNPIKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – FT. PIERCE (EXIT 152) & ST. LUCIE (EXIT 142)

- No closures to report this week.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Two improvement projects will be underway in St. Lucie County. The Port St. Lucie (Exit 142) northbound interchange ramps are being resurfaced and realigned. The project began in July and is projected to be completed in February 2010.

The second project is an improvement of the northbound off ramp at the Ft Pierce interchange (Exit 152). The ramp is being realigned. This project started in June and is projected to be completed in February 2010.

Combined costs for these two projects are approximately: \$2.8 million.

INDIAN RIVER COUNTY

TURNPIKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – (Milepost 173) to (Milepost 179)

- Periodic nighttime and daytime off peak lane closures will take place on the northbound and southbound lanes of the Turnpike Sunday, November 8, through Friday, November 13.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Resurfacing and safety improvement will take place on the Turnpike between Ft Pierce area and Fort Drum Service Plaza. This project started in August and is projected to be complete in January 2010. Cost for this project is approximately: \$4.3 million.