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### **Interstate construction closures and news for the night of December 9 - 17, 2011**

*Because of weather and other circumstances, the information contained in this release will occasionally change. For the latest information, check out the "closures/detours" section at [www.myTBI.com](http://www.myTBI.com). **ON SITE VISITS: Please contact us before parking in the construction zones so that we may help you find a location.***

#### **Project news: I-275 Resurfacing from Misener Bridge to 54th Avenue South**

##### **Southbound U.S. Highway 19 entrance ramp to southbound I-275 to be closed all week**

ST. PETERSBURG -- The southbound U.S. 19 ramp onto southbound I-275/U.S. 19 (towards the Sunshine Skyway Bridge) will be closed around-the-clock from 8 a.m. Sunday (December 11) to 6 p.m. Friday (December 16). DETOUR ROUTE: While the U.S. 19 ramp is closed, drivers can access southbound I-275/U.S. 19 by going east on 54th Avenue South, south on 31st Street South, then west on Pinellas Point Drive (66th Avenue South) to the entrance ramp off Pinellas Point Drive.

#### **Project news: Selmon Expressway Deck Panel Replacement & Widening**

##### **Westbound Selmon Expressway to be reduced to one lane from December 14 through February 2012**

TAMPA -- Beginning Wednesday morning, December 14, the westbound Selmon Expressway (SR 618) will be reduced to one lane from just west of Morgan Street (Exit 7) to the Brorein Street entrance ramp. The lane closure will be in place through approximately February, 2012.

In addition, there will be lane closures approaching and through that area from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday (December 13 and 14) nights.

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##### **Lane closures early Thursday on Morgan Street under the Selmon Expressway**

TAMPA -- Drivers can expect single-lane traffic, periodic stops and flagging operations on Morgan Street under the Selmon Expressway (SR 618) between 12:01 a.m. and 6 a.m. Thursday morning, December 15.

**Project news: I-4 /Selmon Expressway Connector**

**Closures scheduled at night next week for Selmon and Meridian entrance to the Reversible Express Lanes**

TAMPA -- Closures with detours are scheduled for the Selmon Expressway (SR 618) and the Reversible Express Lanes (REL) entrance at Meridian Avenue as listed below. If the schedule changes, updates will be posted at our myTBI.com web site.

The detours will happen between 22nd Street (Exit 9) and 50th Street (Exit 11) for the lower levels. The Reversible Express Lanes (which carry traffic only in the eastbound direction at night) will be closed from the entrance at Meridian Avenue to the slip ramp just west of U.S. 301.

- 8 p.m. Sunday (12/11) to 5 a.m. Monday (12/12): Eastbound and westbound closed; REL Meridian entrance closed.
- 8 p.m. Monday (12/12) to 5 a.m. Tuesday (12/13): Westbound closed.
- 8 p.m. Tuesday (12/13) to 5 a.m. Wednesday (12/14): Eastbound and westbound closed; REL Meridian entrance closed.
- 8 p.m. Wednesday (12/14) to 5 a.m. Thursday (12/15): Eastbound and westbound closed; REL Meridian entrance closed.

**EASTBOUND DETOUR:** All eastbound traffic will be directed off the Selmon Expressway at 21st/22nd Street (Exit 9), detoured east on State Road 60 (Adamo Drive), then back onto the Expressway using the 50th Street entrance ramp. Tolls will be suspended for exiting the eastbound Selmon at 22nd Street during the detour hours only.

**WESTBOUND DETOUR:** Westbound traffic will be directed off the Selmon Expressway at 50th Street (Exit 11), detoured west on SR 60 (Adamo Drive), then back onto the Expressway using the 21st/22nd Street entrance ramp. Tolls will be suspended for entering the westbound Selmon at 22nd Street during detour hours only.

**DETOUR FOR REVERSIBLE EXPRESS LANES:** The first opportunity for eastbound drivers to enter the REL from the lower level of the Selmon Expressway will be at the slip ramp located just west of U.S. Highway 301.

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**Day lane closures on eastbound Selmon Expressway**

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed on the eastbound Selmon Expressway (SR 618) between 22nd Street (Exit 9) and 50th Street (Exit 11) from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sunday through Saturday (December 11 - 17).

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**Nightly lane closures on I-4 between Exits 1 and 3**

TAMPA -- One to two lanes may be closed on eastbound and westbound I-4 between 22nd Street (Exit 1) and 50th Street (Exit 3) from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. Friday through Friday (December 9 - 16) nights.

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**7th Avenue to be single-lane each way during the day**

TAMPA -- 7th Avenue may be reduced to a single lane of traffic in each direction between 26th Street and 34th Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday through Saturday (December 11 - 17).

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**Day and night lane closures on 20th, 21st & 22nd streets near Selmon Expressway/SR 60**

TAMPA -- One lane may be closed each way on 20th, 21st and 22nd streets from State Road 60 to Linsey Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, December 10 and Monday through Friday (December 12 - 16), and from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Thursday (December 12 - 15) nights.

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**26th Street down to one lane under I-4 day and night**

TAMPA -- 26th Street will be reduced to one lane between 12th and 15th avenues (under I-4), with traffic flagged through, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday through Saturday (December 10 - 17) and from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Friday night, December 9 and Sunday through Thursday (December 11 - 15) nights.

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**Day and night lane closures on 34th Street at SR 60**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in both directions of 34th Street from State Road 60 (Adamo Drive) to Grace Street from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday through Saturday (December 10 - 17) and from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday through Friday night, December 9 and Sunday through Thursday (December 11 - 15) nights.

**Project news: I-75 Widening from Fowler Avenue to State Road 56**

**Night lane closures on I-75 between Fowler and Bruce B. Downs**

TAMPA -- One lane will be closed in each direction of I-75 in various locations between Fowler Avenue (Exit 265) and Bruce B. Downs Boulevard (Exit 270) Sunday through Thursday (December 11 - 15) nights. Southbound closures will be from 10:30 p.m. to 5 a.m.; northbound closures from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.

**Project news: I-75/I-275 Exit Ramps to State Road 56**

**Northbound I-75/I-275 exit ramp to SR 56 may be closed at night**

WESLEY CHAPEL -- The northbound I-75/I-275 exit ramp to State Road 56 (Exit 275) may be closed from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (December 11 - 16) nights. DETOUR: Motorists will continue north on I-75, exit at State Road 54 (Exit 279), turn left and go under I-75, then turn left again to enter southbound I-75. Drivers can then use the southbound Exit 275 to reach State Road 56.

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**Night lane closures on northbound I-75 near I-275 and SR 56**

WESLEY CHAPEL -- One lane may be closed in either direction on I-75 from the new exit ramp to State Road 56 (Exit 275) to the SR 56 overpass from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (December 11 - 16) nights.

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**Night lane closures on northbound I-275 at I-75**

WESLEY CHAPEL -- One lane may be closed on northbound I-275 from one-half mile south of I-75 to the SR 56 overpass from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (December 11 - 16) nights.

**Project news: I-75 Widening from State Road 56 to County Road 54**

**Night lane closures on I-75 in southern Pasco**

WESLEY CHAPEL -- One lane may be closed in either direction of I-75 from State Road 56 (Exit 275) to County Road/State Road 54 (Exit 279) from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Friday (December 11 - 16) nights.

**Project news: I-75 Resurfacing from Lockhart Road to the Withlacoochee River**

**Night lane closures on I-75 in Hernando County**

HERNANDO COUNTY -- One lane may be closed in either direction of I-75 between Lockhart Road and the Withlacoochee River from 7:30 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. Sunday through Thursday (December 11 - 15) nights.

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