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FDOT Spirit Lake Road at US 17 RoadWatch Advisory Airport Boulevard CLOSED at US 17 starting Tuesday, January 17, 2023

Bartow, Fla. – The main entrance to the Bartow Municipal Airport, Airport Boulevard, will be closed just east of US 17 starting Tuesday, January 17, and will remain closed for approximately four weeks as crews rebuild the entrance. The back entrance to the airport off Ben Durance Road will remain open and a temporary entrance at Gate Road will also be provided. US 17 will remain open in both directions. Posted detours direct motorists as follows:

- Motorists approaching from northbound US 17 will enter the airport at the temporary Gate Road access located south of Airport Boulevard.
- Motorists approaching from southbound US 17 will enter the airport through the back entrance by turning left at Bomber Road, right at Ben Durance Road, and right at Beechcraft Street.
- Motorists approaching from Spirit Lake Road will be detoured to the back entrance by turning left on US 17, right on Bomber Road, right at Ben Durance Road, and right at Beechcraft Street.

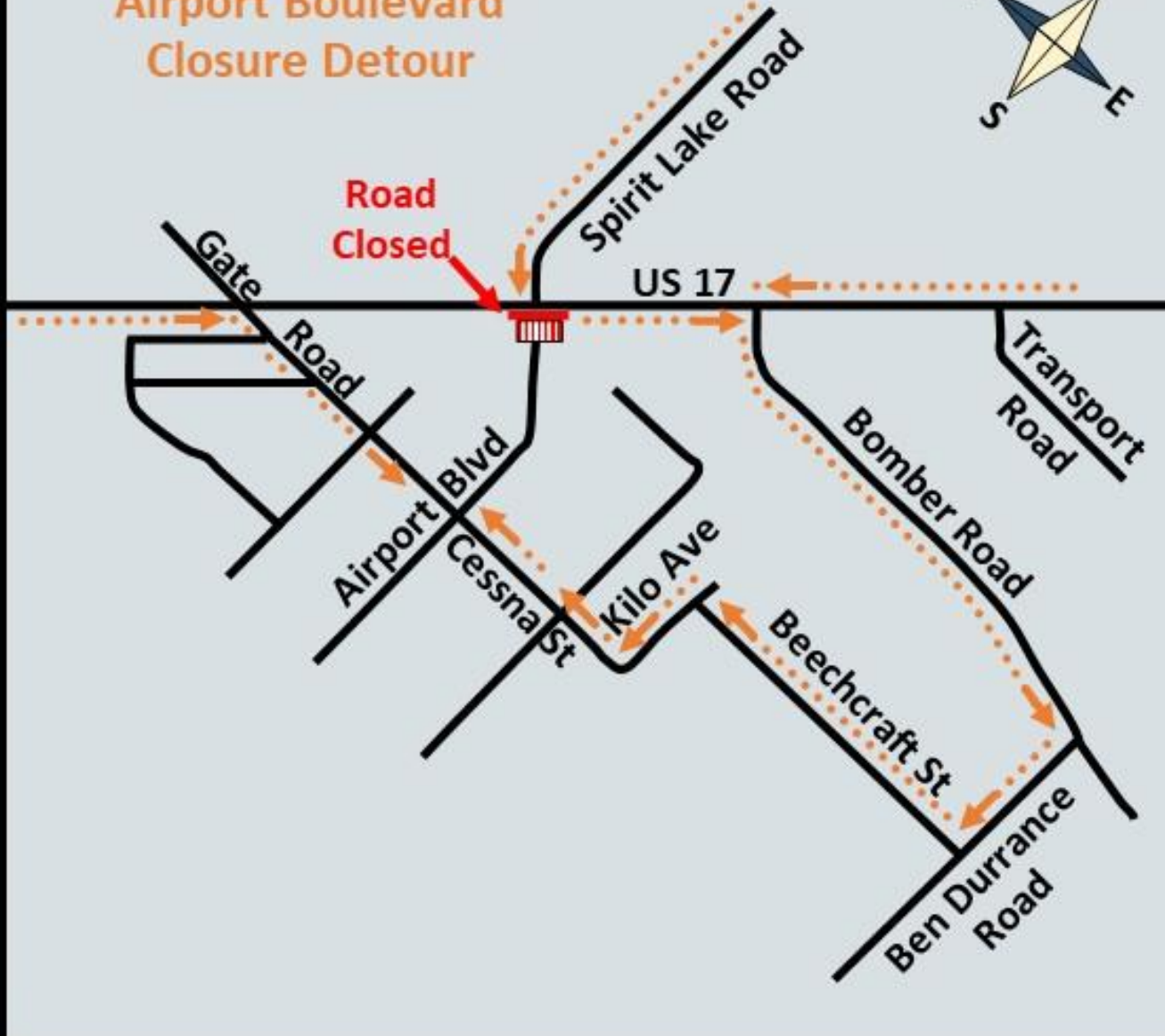
The closure is part of the FDOT project to reconstruct the existing asphalt intersection with rigid concrete pavement at US 17/Spirit Lake Road/Airport Boulevard, resurface the remaining asphalt portions of the roadway between south of Gate Road to north of Transport Road, add LED lighting and new signal equipment at Spirit Lake Road and Bomber Road, close an existing median opening north of Bomber Road, extend turn lanes, and add sidewalk and transit pads. For more information visit www.swflroads.com/us17-spiritlake.

Note: Detour Map Attached.

Airport Boulevard Closure Detour



Road Closed



Gate Road

Airport Blvd

Cessna St

Kilo Ave

Beechcraft St

Ben Durrance Road

Spirit Lake Road

US 17

Bomber Road

Transport Road