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### DISTRICT ONE DISTRICTWIDE ROADWATCH REPORT #32 FOR WEEK AUGUST 6, 2017

District One is 12 counties: Charlotte, Collier, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendry, Highlands, Lee, Manatee, Okeechobee, Polk and Sarasota

*Motorists are reminded to wear safety belts and drive with caution, courtesy, common sense, and patience as they travel through work zones. Remember, speeding fines are doubled in work zones.*

As a reminder, travelers can visit [www.FL511.com](http://www.FL511.com) or dial “511” from their phone to learn about traffic conditions on major roadways across the state. If you know before you go, you can plan accordingly and save time and money.

#### CHARLOTTE COUNTY

**Northbound I-75 Weigh Station (mile marker 160) in Punta Gorda:** Construction project: Work is underway to demolish and rebuild the northbound weigh station on the east side of the roadway. Motorists should not expect lane closures on I-75. Estimated completion is end of summer 2017. **The southbound weigh station is now open.** The contractor is R.M. Williams Construction, Inc.

**I-75 from south of Harborview Road (mile marker 167) to Sumter Boulevard (mile marker 182):** Construction project: This project widens the road from four to six lanes and adds a 12-foot travel lane and 10-foot shoulder to the inside of existing northbound and southbound I-75.

- **Motorists should expect lane closures on I-75 during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of construction.**
- **Motorists should also expect periodic travel lane shifts through the duration of construction.**
- **Motorists should expect the outside northbound lane on the bridge over the Peace River closed through the duration of the project.**

Variable message signs will be in place to alert drivers that work is underway. Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated completion is end of 2017. The contractor is Astaldi Construction Corporation.

**US 41 from Cross Street to Cochran Boulevard:** Construction project: Crews improve 5.8 miles of US 41. The project includes signal upgrades at various intersections, milling and resurfacing, miscellaneous shoulder widening, bike lanes and improved pedestrian access at multiple intersections. **Motorists should expect lane closures on US 41 throughout the limits of the project during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 pm to 6 am, Sunday through Friday, weather permitting. Temporary restricted access to side streets may also occur.** Signalization for the intersections at Olean Blvd., Kings Hwy. and Conway Blvd. will also experience traffic shifts as new facilities are installed and placed in operation. Motorists should be aware of heavy machinery and large trucks entering and exiting the roadway while paving operations are ongoing and use caution. They should remain alert and follow directions provided by traffic control officers and devices while driving in this area. Project completion is expected fall 2017. The Contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

**US 41 from Enterprise Drive to the Sarasota/Charlotte County line:** Construction project: Crews are working to expand US 41 to six lanes from Enterprise Drive to the Sarasota/Charlotte County line. This 3.6-mile project also includes making roadway drainage improvements, installing water and sewer lines, adding bike lanes and sidewalk and replacing signals at Enterprise Drive, Toledo Blade Boulevard and S. Cranberry/Cornelius Boulevards. Crews are installing new utilities, building new roadway and drainage. Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of the project.

- **Dania Avenue is closed on the southbound side of US 41.**
- **Adalia Terrace is closed on the southbound side of US 41.**
- **Collingswood Boulevard median on US 41 is closed.**
- **Chamberlain Boulevard is closed on the northbound side of US 41.**
- **Chamberlain Boulevard median on US 41 is closed.**
- **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours on Toledo Blade Boulevard.**
- **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours on US 41 from Paulson Drive to Salford Boulevard.**
- **The speed limit is reduced to 40 miles per hour.**

Motorists should be aware of construction vehicles and equipment entering and exiting the roadway. The contractor expects to complete work in fall 2017. The contractor is Guymann Construction Inc.

**SR 31 at Bermont Road:** Construction project: Crews begin work to replace flashing beacons and signal poles. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during the daytime and nighttime hours. Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. Expected completion is fall 2017. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida.

## **COLLIER COUNTY**

**I-75/Alligator Alley Rest Area (mile marker 63):** Construction project: Work is underway to build a new rest area and water treatment plant on the north side of the roadway. Estimated project completion is spring 2018. The design/build contractor is West Construction, Inc.

**I-75 from Broward County Line (mile marker 50) to east of CR 951/Collier Boulevard (mile marker 101):** Construction project: This safety project adds approximately 78 miles (39 miles in each direction) of guardrail along I-75/Alligator Alley. Crews will begin a moving pavement operation at CR 951 (exit #101) and work easterly to the Broward County line. Crews will then work from the Broward County line westerly to just east of CR 951. Guardrail installation will follow behind the pavement operation. Crews will work 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Variable message signs will be in place to alert drivers that work is underway.

- **Motorists should expect northbound and southbound lane shifts during nighttime/overnight hours from 10:30 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Monday through Friday, while crews stripe the roadway, weather permitting.**

Motorists should use caution while traveling in this area. The contractor is the de Moya Group, Inc. Estimated completion is summer 2017.

**SR 84/Davis Boulevard from Heritage Trail to Santa Barbara Boulevard:** Construction project: This project includes resurfacing the roadway, adding curb and gutter, and installing light poles. Crews will also add a pedestrian crosswalk and upgrade the signal at County Barn Road. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during daytime hours from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. through the duration of the project.** Drivers should use caution while driving in this area. Estimated project completion is summer 2017. The contractor is Preferred Materials, Inc.

**Saint Ann School Sidewalks:** Construction project: Work begins to construct sidewalk at various locations around Saint Ann School between 4<sup>th</sup> Street to 9<sup>th</sup> Street and 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The work will be done during daytime hours Monday through Friday and lane closures may occur. The contractor is L-J Construction Company. Expected completion is late summer 2017.

## **DESOTO COUNTY**

**US 17 from Livingston Street to Hardee / Desoto County Line:** Construction project: Crews will mill and resurface the roadway and improve drainage to approximately 6.7 miles of roadway. The contractor will also install curb and gutters, guardrails and sidewalks.

- **Motorists should expect single lanes of both the northbound and southbound lanes of US 17 to be closed from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. from August 7, 2017 through August 11, 2017 to allow for crews to work on widening the road, installing concrete curb, removing pipes and installing sod.**

Watch for crews and equipment working close to the road. Please observe posted speed limits and drive with caution in the construction zone. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida. Estimated completion is spring 2018.

**US 17 from CR 760A to Heard Street and within the City of Arcadia:** Construction project: Crews are expanding US 17 to four lanes. Work continues to construct utilities, install drainage, and construct new roadway. Northbound and southbound US 17 traffic have switched to the new portion of US 17 from south of CR-760A/McCaskill Street to north of CR 760/Welles Avenue. Traffic remains on the existing lanes from north of CR 760/Welles Avenue to south of Fletcher Street. Northbound and southbound US 17 travel lanes have shifted to the new eastern roadway from south of Fletcher Street to north of Hibiscus Drive. In Arcadia – Northbound and southbound US 17 travel lanes have shifted to the new western roadway from Hibiscus Drive to Palmetto Street. SW Palm Drive is closed and the detour route is SW Hibiscus Drive to SE Hillsborough Avenue. Daytime and nighttime, intermittent lane closures on US 17, SR 70 and signalized side streets. Motorists should continue to observe the posted speed limits. Work vehicles are entering and exiting the roadway during the week. Please use caution and plan additional travel time. Expected project completion is in the summer of 2017. The contractor is Prince Contracting.

**SR 70 from Pasco Avenue to Roberts Avenue:** Maintenance project: Crews will be making repairs to a hole in the eastbound left hand lane of SR 70. Motorists should expect the left hand lane to be closed and be prepared to follow flagger direction. Please use caution in this area and watch for crews working close to the roadway.

**SR 70 at the Oak Street Railroad Crossing:** Maintenance project: Crews will be making repairs to the Oak Street railroad crossing in Arcadia on July 31, 2017 and August 1, 2017. Motorists should expect single lane closures and be prepared to follow flagger direction. Please use caution in this area and watch for crews working close to the roadway.

## **GLADES COUNTY**

**Moore Haven Elementary Sidewalks:** Construction project: Crews will install sidewalks to the north side of Avenue J from 5th Street to 1st Street and the south side of Avenue K from 6th Street to 1st Street. The northbound and southbound access lanes to the bridge on US 27 from Old 27 to 5th Street in Moore Haven will be repaved and the outside shoulders of the road will be widened. Additional improvements include installing drainage, curb and gutter, guardrails, signing and pavement markings.

- **Crews are preparing to pave the outside shoulder at the south area of the bridge.**
- **Crews are constructing new sidewalks and ADA improvements along northbound US 27 at the north area of the bridge.**

During construction we ask motorists and pedestrians to use caution in this area and watch for crews working close to the roadway. Motorists should expect periodic lane closures as part of the construction process. Estimated project completion is winter 2017. The contractor is Weekley Asphalt Paving, Inc.

**US 27 from the Highlands County line to the Hendry County line:** Maintenance project: Crews will be landscaping near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**US 27 from the railroad tracks to Coffee Road:** Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing shoulders along the roadway. Motorists should expect southbound lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**US 27 from Boars Hammock to south of railroad tracks:** Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing guardrail, weather permitting. Motorists should expect southbound lane closures during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday. Motorists should use caution as crews work near and on the roadway.

**US 27 - 2 miles north of Moore Haven:** Maintenance Project: Crews will be repairing pipes near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**State Roadways (SR 31, SR 45, SR 78, SR 80, SR 82, SR 739, SR 865 and SR 867):** Maintenance contract project: Crews will be striping roadways during daylight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution.

## **HARDEE COUNTY**

**US 17 from the Hardee/Desoto County Line to Sweetwater Road (CR 634):** Construction Project: Crews are widening US 17 from two lanes to four lanes, adding a grassed median and building new two-lane bridges over Charlie Creek and Charlie Creek Overflow. The contractor will also install new roadside drainage swales and storm water ponds to manage water running off the roadway. The contractor is Watson Civil Construction. Watch for crews and equipment working close to the road. Drivers should expect daytime lane closures and flaggers will direct motorists through the work zone in a single lane.

- **Motorists should be aware that a new traffic pattern has been implemented at the southern end of the project. Please pay attention to new signage and pavement markings directing traffic through the work zone.**

Please observe posted speed limits and drive with caution in the construction zone. Estimated completion is summer 2018.

**US 17 from south of West 9<sup>th</sup> Street to north of West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street:** Construction Project: Crews are constructing a new four-lane concrete roadway using the old railroad corridor along Oak Street to realign this 1-mile segment. The contractor is installing curb and gutter, 7-foot bike lanes, sidewalks, and a 52-foot raised median to separate the northbound and southbound lanes of traffic. The project also includes installing a new underground drainage system and two storm water ponds to manage water running off of the roadway.

- **Oak Street, 3rd Street East, 4th Street East, 5th Street East and 7th Street East are closed. Watch for signs and use the posted detour route utilizing the new SR 66 detour to travel around the work zone.**
- **Motorists should expect periodic lane closures on US 17 in both directions for construction operations.**
- **Expect lane closures on US 17 northbound and southbound from south of SR 64 to 5th Street for utility relocations. Follow flagger direction.**
- **Motorists should follow the new traffic pattern on eastbound and westbound SR 66 and northbound and southbound US 17. Watch for signs directing traffic in a new direction through the work zone.**
- **Crews are working to balance and prepare subgrade for the left roadway, installing structures, constructing the detour at the south end of the project, demolition of the intersection at SR 66 and relocation of utilities.**

Estimated completion is fall 2018. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida.

**US 17 from Fiveash Street to Arcadia Avenue** - Maintenance project: Crews will be cleaning pipes and sealing boxes on both the north and south lanes of US 17 starting on Monday, June 26, 2017. Please drive with caution and watch for crews working near the road.

**SR 62 from US 17 to the County Line** - Maintenance project: Crews will be trimming trees along the road. Motorist should expect intermittent lane closures starting on Monday, June 26, 2017, and follow flagger direction through the work zone. Please drive with caution and watch for crews working close to the road.

## **HENDRY COUNTY**

**US 27 from the Palm Beach County line to the Glades County line:** Maintenance project: Crews will be landscaping near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 80 from Grandma's Boulevard to Huggetts Road:** Construction project: Crews will repave one half of a mile on both the eastbound and westbound lanes of SR 80 from Grandma's Boulevard to Huggetts Road in LaBelle. Work will also include widening the shoulder to accommodate new bicycle lanes by adding a five foot bicycle keyhole in the westbound right turn lane. Additional improvements include installing guardrails, pavement markings, enhancing signage and signalization. Pedestrians should use caution in this area during construction.

- **Motorists should expect daytime and nighttime lane closures on alternating sections of SR 80. Please be aware of crews working close to the roadway and reduce speeds as necessary when traveling through the work zone.**

Estimated project completion is fall 2017. The contractor is Community Asphalt Corporation.

**SR 80 from Dalton Lane to CR 833:** Construction project: Crews will widen approximately 11 miles of roadway from two to four lanes and add new turning lanes. Additional work includes repaving the current lanes of SR 80 and constructing ten new bridges. Three of the bridges will require full demolition and removal of the existing bridges in order to construct the new ones. Work also includes drainage improvements, adding curb and gutter, and installing LED lighting. Estimated project completion is summer 2020. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida.

**SR 80 from Double J. Acres Road to CR 78A:** Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound and westbound lane closures from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. while crews construct turn lanes, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 80 from Dalton Lane to Indian Hills Drive:** Maintenance permit project: Crews will be relocating utilities near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**State Roadways (SR 31, SR 45, SR 78, SR 80, SR 82, SR 739, SR 865 and SR 867):** Maintenance contract project: Crews will be striping roadways during daylight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution.

## **HIGHLANDS COUNTY**

**SR 25 (US 27) Southbound at the intersection of Lakewood Drive:** Permit Project: Crews will be reconstructing the driveway/connection at the old Wendy's/new Popeye's location and adjacent property. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site. Please use caution in this area and watch for crews working close to the roadway.

**US 27 from US 98 to Ponce De Leon:** Maintenance project: Crews will be mowing through the City of Sebring. Please drive with caution and watch for crews working near the road.

**SR 70 at the Kissimmee River Bridge:** Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing guardrail sections. Motorist should expect lane closures starting on Monday, July 10, 2017, Please drive with caution and watch for crews working near the road.

**SR 70 from US 27 to CR 721:** Maintenance project: Crews will be trimming trees and filling erosion areas along the side of the road. Motorist should expect lane closures in various locations starting on Wednesday, June 21, 2017, Monday through Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please drive with caution and watch for crews working near the road.

**SR 66 from Highlands/Hardee County Line to US 27:** Construction Project: Crews will repave approximately 9 miles of roadway on both the eastbound and westbound lanes of SR 66 from the Highlands/Hardee County Line to US 27. Additional improvements include the addition of a right turn lane on to Skipper Road, widening the right turn lanes on to South George Boulevard, Sparta Road, and Woodland Creek Trail, installing drainage, curb and gutter, guardrail, pavement markings, and signage. Anticipate daytime and nighttime lane closures on SR 66 during construction and expect delays.

- **Motorists should expect single lane closures and be prepared to follow flagger direction.**

Please use caution in this area and be aware of crews working close to the roadway. Estimated project completion is summer 2018. The contractor is Lawrence Lynch Corporation.

**SR 66 West of CR 635 to Skipper Road:** Permit Project: Crews will be modifying underground utilities for an upcoming construction project. Watch for trucks entering and exiting the site. Please use caution in this area and watch for crews working close to the roadway.



**Rucks Dairy Road Bridge:** Construction Project: Crews will be building a new two lane bridge to replace the current one lane bridge. Construction of the new bridge will be next to the current bridge. Additional improvements will include resurfacing a portion of the road approaching the new bridge, drainage enhancements, new guardrails and updated signage.

- **Motorists should expect a traffic signalization system to be in place directing traffic through the work zone. Expect delays and watch for crews working in the roadway.**

The Contractor is Leware Construction Company of Florida. Motorists should use caution when traveling through the work zone. Expected project completion is spring 2018.

## **LEE COUNTY**

**US 41 from Playa Del Sol Boulevard to Business 41:** Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Friday while crews construct turn lanes, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**US 41 from just south of Pelican Colony Boulevard to San Carlos Boulevard:** Construction project: This project installs light poles on both sides of the roadway. Work occurs during daytime and nighttime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent outside lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. through the duration of the project, weather permitting. Pedestrians should expect northbound and southbound sidewalk closures from Corkscrew Road to Estero Parkway. Pedestrians should use caution and follow detour signs.** Motorists and pedestrians should use caution traveling in the work zone. Estimated project completion is spring 2018. The contractor is Valiant Power South.

**US 41 from San Souci Drive to Tara Boulevard:** Construction project: Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures as crews install sidewalk and drainage improvements along the east and west side of US 41. The majority of the work will be done during daytime hours. Lane closures may occur during daytime and nighttime hours, Monday through Saturday. **Local area residents will have access at all times.** Motorists and pedestrians should follow detour signs and use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is fall 2017. The contractor is Preferred Materials, Inc.

**US 41 from Marsh Landing Boulevard to Fountain Lakes Boulevard:** Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday, August 7 through Friday, August 18 while crews construct turn lanes, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**US 41 from North Bay Street to Jonathans Bay Drive:** Maintenance contract project: Crews will replace sidewalk during daytime hours from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 867/McGregor Boulevard from Colonial Boulevard to College Parkway:** Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect northbound and southbound lane closures as crews landscape near the roadway during daytime hours, between 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Flaggers will direct motorists through the work zone during lane closures. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 867/McGregor Boulevard at the intersection of Cypress Lake Drive:** Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect northbound lane closures as crews replace sidewalk during nighttime/overnight hours, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 865/San Carlos Boulevard from Whitewater Court to just south of South Broadway Avenue:** Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures as crews replace sidewalk during nighttime/overnight hours, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 739/Metro Parkway from Winkler Avenue to Hanson St.:** Construction project: This project consists of installing thermoplastic pavement markings and retro-reflective pavement markers on Metro Parkway. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of the project, weather permitting.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent turn lane closures during daytime hours from 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Motorists and pedestrians should use caution traveling in the work zone. Estimated project completion is fall 2017. The contractor is McShea Contracting, LLC.

**SR 82 from High Street to Ortiz Avenue:** Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect eastbound and westbound lane closures as crews landscape near the roadway during daytime hours, Saturday, August 5, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Freemont Street to Lexington Avenue:** Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound and westbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from Monday through Friday as crews conduct storm drain maintenance, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 78/Pine Island Road from Santa Barbara Boulevard to Hibiscus Drive:** Maintenance contract project: Crews will be installing sod along the roadway during daytime hours, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

**SR 31 from the Wilson Pigott Bridge to the Lee/Charlotte County line:** Construction project: This project will resurface the roadway and replace drainage to manage water run-off. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during daytime and nighttime/overnight hours.** Flaggers will be onsite to maintain traffic in both directions. Motorists should be aware of heavy machinery and large trucks entering and exiting the roadway. Please use caution and plan extra travel time while driving in this area. Estimated completion is end of 2017. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

**State Roadways (SR 31, SR 45, SR 78, SR 80, SR 82, SR 739, SR 865 and SR 867):** Maintenance contract project: Crews are sweeping curb and gutter on state roadways and bridges. Motorists should expect lane closures during the nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. weather permitting. Motorists should expect slow moving traffic and possible delays.

## **MANATEE COUNTY**

**I-275 over the Terra Ceia River:** Bridge maintenance project: Crews are working on the bridge. Expect nighttime/overnight southbound lane closures from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Tuesday, August 8. Use caution and expect possible delays.

**I-275 over Bayshore Road:** Bridge maintenance project: Crews are working on the bridge. Expect nighttime/overnight northbound lane closures from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Thursday, August 10. Use caution and expect possible delays.

**I-75 (SR 93) / University Parkway Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)  
Sarasota/Bradenton:** Construction Project:

Temporary intermittent single and double lane closures are in place at night/overnight on northbound and southbound I-75 Sunday, August 6 through Saturday, August 12 between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. the following morning. Double lane closures begin at 11 p.m. **Watch for shifts in traffic.**

Temporary intermittent single and double lane closures are in place at night/overnight on eastbound and westbound University Parkway and at Cooper Creek Blvd./Cattlemen Rd. and at Market St./Lake Osprey Dr. Sunday, August 6 through Saturday, August 12 from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. the following morning. Double lane closures begin at 10 p.m. **Watch for shifts in traffic.**

The contractor is installing final friction course and final striping. **Watch for trucks entering and leaving the highway and uneven pavement. Speeding fines double when workers are present.**

Improvements being made as part of this project consist of constructing a diverging diamond interchange, adding an auxiliary lane on northbound and southbound I-75, constructing new bridges on I-75 over University Parkway, widening of University Parkway, widening of I-75 bridges over Errie Creek and Foley Creek, realignment of on-ramps and off-ramps at I-75/University Parkway, addition of ponds, drainage improvements, new lighting and signalization, construction of a noise wall on the west side of I-75, sidewalks, bike lanes, and pedestrian walkways. Expected completion is fall 2017. The contractor is Prince Contracting, LLC. For additional information, please visit the project website at <http://www.swflroads.com/i75/university/>

**I-75 from Moccasin Wallow Road to the Hillsborough County Line:** Construction project: Crews are resurfacing I-75, making drainage improvements, installing guardrail, and adding new signage and pavement markings. The pavement along Moccasin Wallow Road at the I-75 interchange is also being reconstructed. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures while crews are working. **Expect nighttime/overnight ramp closures to Moccasin Wallow Road from 11 p.m. each night to 5 a.m. each morning throughout the week of Sunday, August 6. Crews will begin with the southbound ramps followed by northbound. Motorists should follow the posted detour or find alternate routes.** AJAX Paving Industries of Florida, LLC, is the contractor. Expected completion is summer 2018.

**I-75 at SR 64/Manatee Avenue Interchange:** Construction project: This project reconstructs the interchange, widens interchange ramps and SR 64, and installs sidewalks and bicycle lanes on SR 64. This week, crews will continue widening and resurfacing SR 64 eastbound, and will perform pile driving work.

- **Motorists should expect lane closures on I-75 during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of the construction.**
- **Pile driving will occur Monday, August 7 through Friday, August 11. Properties adjacent to the construction should anticipate noise from pile driving between 7 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.**

Variable message signs will be in place to alert drivers that work is underway. Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated completion is late of 2019. The contractor is Prince Contracting LLC.

**US 301 at the Hernando Desoto Bridge:** Construction project: Crews are installing pile jackets, making concrete repairs and repairing the bridge fender system. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m. while crews are working. Portions of Riverwalk along the seawall will be closed from early May through the end of August while crews are working on the seawall. Inland Construction and Engineering, Inc., is the contractor. Expected completion is fall 2017.

**US 301 from Erie/Old Tampa Road to Moccasin Wallow Road:** Maintenance permit project: Crews are working on a force main. No lane closures are expected but motorists should be aware of crews working along the roadway through Tuesday, August 8. Use caution while in the area.

**SR 789/Gulf Drive from SR 64/Manatee Avenue to SR 684/Cortez Road:** Maintenance permit project: Manatee County is installing new force mains and water mains. For additional information about the project, please visit the project website at [www.amipipereplacement.com](http://www.amipipereplacement.com).

**SR 684 from 92<sup>nd</sup> Lane to 82<sup>nd</sup> Street West:** Maintenance permit project: Crews are working on a force main. Expect intermittent east and westbound lane closures beginning Monday, August 14 through Monday, August 28. Use caution and expect possible delays.

**SR 70 from 301 Boulevard to Tara Boulevard:** Construction project: Crews are resurfacing the roadway and making signal upgrades. Expect daytime and/or nighttime/overnight lane closures while crews are working. Expected completion is late summer 2017. The contractor is Superior Asphalt, Inc.

**SR 70 at Greenbrook Boulevard West:** Construction project: Crews are installing a new traffic signal, crosswalks with pedestrian signals, and street lighting at the intersection. This week, crews will install lighting and work on punch list items and site cleanup. Expected completion is summer 2017. Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC is the contractor.

### **OKEECHOBEE COUNTY**

**US 441 from SW 28<sup>th</sup> St. south to almost SR 78:** Permit project: Crews will be installing approximately 6680 feet of 4 inch gas main. Please use caution and watch for workers close to the road.

**US 441 from SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street to SW 28<sup>th</sup> Street:** Maintenance contract project: Crews are repairing storm drains. Watch for northbound and southbound lane closures and be prepared to merge.

**US 441 from NE 224<sup>th</sup> St. (Orange Ave) North to the County Line:** Maintenance project: Use caution and watch for workers close to the road making spot repairs to the shoulder.

**US 441 from South of NE 224<sup>th</sup> Street to South of NE 304<sup>th</sup> Street:** Construction project: This 5.378 mile project consists of milling and resurfacing, base work, shoulder treatment, drainage improvements, signing and pavement marking and signalization. Crews will be installing construction signs and erosion control measures. Expected project completion is summer 2017. The Contractor is Lynch Paving Construction Co. Motorists should use caution when traveling through the work zone.

**US 98 at Trusty Street:** Maintenance project: Crews will be cleaning ditches. Expect daytime lane closures Monday through Thursday from 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Please use caution while traveling through this area.

**SR 78 over Kissimmee River, 4.7 miles west of US 441:** Bridge maintenance: Crews will be performing routine bridge inspection. Inspection will require intermittent lane closures during daylight hours. Flaggers will direct motorists through the work zone in a single lane. Motorists should use caution and watch for crews near the roadway.

**11500 SR 70 East:** Permit project: Crews will be making driveway modifications in preparation for the upcoming Okeechobee MudFest event to be held from August 10, 2017 through August 13, 2017.

**SR 70 West from Aquarius Drive to NE 122nd Drive:** Event Permit: MudFest Festival from August 10, 2017 through August 13, 2017. This is a weekend festival that will increase the traffic for several miles in both directions of SR 70. There is still the ongoing roadway construction in that area. There will be heavy traffic and crews working near the roadway. Motorists should use caution when traveling through the festival area and work zone.

**State Road 70-A, 15<sup>th</sup> Street E in Manatee County between 44<sup>th</sup> Ave E and 301 Blvd:** Maintenance contracts project: Crews are cleaning the roadside ditches between 44<sup>th</sup> Ave E and 301 Blvd. Expect daytime lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. beginning July 31, 2017 through August 4, 2017.

**SR 70 from SE 16th Avenue to SE 31st Terrace:** Construction project: Crews are installing guardrail, milling and resurfacing the roadway. Nighttime lane closures are expected. Expected project completion is spring 2017. The contractor is Ranger Construction Industries, Inc. Motorists should use caution when traveling through the work zone.

**SR 70 West from SW 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue to NW 38<sup>th</sup> Terrace:** Construction project. Crews are pouring concrete sidewalks and constructing a pedestrian bridge across a creek. Expected project completion is spring 2017. The contractor is Ranger Construction Industries, Inc. Motorists should use caution when traveling through the work zone.

**SR 70 from NE 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue east to NE 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue:** Maintenance project: Crews are spraying herbicide on the sidewalks on both the north and south side of SR 70 during the day. Use caution while traveling through this area.

**SR 70 from NE 31st Avenue to Berman Road:** Construction project: Crews are paving the eastbound roadway, constructing driveway connections and median crossovers, finishing subgrade base, pouring sidewalk and inlets, and placing sod, seed and mulch. Workers are installing pedestrian/bicycle railing at Mosquito Creek Bridge and at the L63 Canal Bridge, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Wednesday, weather permitting.

- **NE 56<sup>th</sup> Avenue is closed to construct the intersection. Follow posted detour to NE 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue.**
- **Expect periodic lane closures along SR 70 for paving operations. Follow flagger directions.**
- **Expect intermittent lane closures at side streets along SR 70 for paving operations. Follow posted detours.**

During this project, crews will expand the roadway to four lanes, improve drainage, construct concrete bridges, pour curb, gutter, and sidewalk, and install guardrail, permanent signs and pavement markings. Watch for crews and equipment working in the construction zone. Observe posted speed limits and drive with caution. Estimated completion is summer 2017. The contractor is Ranger Construction Industries, Inc.

**SR 70 east of Okeechobee/NE 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue to Williams Road/NE 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue:** Maintenance permit project: Crews are relocating utilities along the south side of the road. No lane closures are scheduled, but use caution and watch for workers close to the road.

**SR 70 west of US 27:** Maintenance permit project: Watch for workers close to the road while they work from the shoulders cleaning ditches. Use caution driving in these areas.

**County Road 68 / NW 160<sup>th</sup> Street from US 98 to US 441:** Construction project: The project consists of milling and resurfacing, constructing paved shoulders, adding guardrail and drainage improvements. Crews are milling and resurfacing the roadway. Expect one lane traffic and short delays. Motorists should use caution and watch for workers near the road. Expected completion is early 2017. The contractor is Lawrence-Lynch Corporation.

## **POLK COUNTY**

**I-4 from the east end of the Polk Parkway to Osceola County line:** Construction project: Crews are installing a new Fog/Low Visibility Detection System on Interstate 4 from the east end of the Polk Parkway to the Osceola County line. Watch for intermittent shoulder closures and trucks entering and leaving the highway as crews finish final items. Speeding fines double when workers are present.

Improvements under this contract include installing wind, precipitation, visibility and atmospheric sensors, thermal infrared cameras, flashing beacon signs and replacing the amber dynamic message signs with full-color dynamic message signs. Expected completion is fall 2017. The contractor is Transcore ITS.

**US 98 from Griffin Road to 3<sup>rd</sup> Street:** Maintenance contract project: Watch for northbound and southbound sidewalk closures and crews working close to the road replacing damaged and deficient concrete sidewalk and ADA ramps. Pedestrians should follow posted detours. Estep Construction is the contractor.

**US 92 from Combee Road to Berkley Road:** Maintenance contracts project: Watch for intermittent shoulder closures and trucks entering and leaving the highway, as crews repair pipes, mitered end sections and driveways. The contractor is Evans Contracting. Expected completion is fall 2017.

**US 92 from Jersey Road to US 27:** Maintenance contract project: Watch for shoulder closures from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday as crews replace broken concrete mitered ends and driveways on both sides of the road. The contractor is Evans Contracting Services.

**US 27 (SR 25) at Bella Citta Boulevard:** Maintenance permit project: Crews are closing the northbound right turn lane at Bella Citta Boulevard during the day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., for utility locates. Use caution and be prepared to stop as cars may turn from the travel lane.

**US 27 at NW Access Road:** Maintenance permit project: Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures Thursday, August 3 through Thursday, August 10. Use caution and be prepared to merge. This project includes asphalt milling and resurfacing, adding turn lanes and a new traffic signal on US 27 at NW Access Road, approximately 0.5 miles north of Interstate 4.

**US 27 (South of Frontage Road) in Davenport:** Maintenance permit project: Crews will close the outside southbound lane during the day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and at night/overnight from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m. as crews mill and resurface the turn lane into Chick-fil-A. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**US 27 (North of Ronald Reagan Parkway):** Maintenance permit project: Crews will close the outside northbound lane from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. while they build a right turn lane and sidewalk, and relocate a light pole. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**US 27 (North of CR 547):** Maintenance permit project: Crews will close the outside northbound lane from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. while they build a right turn lane and sidewalk, and relocate a light pole. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**US 27 at the intersection with Main St. / Crump Road:** Construction project: Expect intermittent daytime lane closures while crews install signs, erosion control materials light bases and conduit. Use caution and be prepared to merge. This project includes new lighting installation along the roadway. Weather permitting; expected completion is fall 2017. Traffic Control Devices is the contractor.

**US 17/92 at Ernie Caldwell Boulevard in Davenport:** Maintenance permit project: Use caution and watch for workers and equipment close to the road as crews work outside of the roadway. This project includes adding turn lanes and shoulders on US 17/92 at the extension of Ernie Caldwell Boulevard, approximately two miles south of CR 54 (Ronald Reagan Parkway).



**US 17 (6<sup>th</sup> Street SW) from Avenue G SW to Avenue A SW in Winter Haven:** Construction project: Watch for nighttime/overnight northbound and southbound lane closures and temporary sidewalk closures as crews continue sidewalk, curb, signal and drainage work.

Work on this project includes milling and resurfacing, drainage improvements, signal pole and equipment upgrades, sidewalk installation and repair, curb and gutter changes and driveway modifications. The contractor is The Lane Construction Corporation. Expected completion is late 2017.

**US 17 (SR 555) from 21<sup>st</sup> Street to 1<sup>st</sup> Street:** Maintenance permit projects: Watch for lane closures as crews from Winter Haven install pipe liners in the storm lines. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**SR 563 (Sikes Boulevard) from Lake Hunter Drive to Hartsell Avenue:** Maintenance permit project: Watch for travel lane and sidewalk closures along the southbound lanes and the southbound left turn lane at Lake Hunter Drive as the City of Lakeland crews line sewer pipes. Use caution, be prepared to merge and follow pedestrian detours.

**SR 549 at Avenue B NE:** Maintenance permit project: Watch for northbound lane closures while crews remove a driveway and replace sidewalk and curb and gutter, Thursday, August 3 through Saturday, August 5.

**SR 546 (Memorial Boulevard) from Interstate 4 to Brunnell Parkway:** Construction project: Watch for daytime and nighttime shoulder closures along both sides of the roadway while crews continue utility work, placing drainage, grading shoulders and concrete pavement reconstruction.

Watch for intermittent daytime lane closures on Memorial Boulevard, Monday, August 7 through Friday, August 11 while crews construct median crossovers from Lone Palm Drive to Interstate 4. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

This project includes reconstructing the concrete roadway, drainage improvements and guardrail work between Interstate 4 and Wabash Avenue, and adding a bike path/trail on the south side of SR 546 from Chestnut Road East to Brunnell Parkway. The expected completion date is spring 2018. The contractor is GLF Construction Corporation.

**SR 542 from 1st Street to Buckeye Loop Road:** Frontier Communications utility permit project: Expect periodic lane closures while crews load and unload equipment, and workers close to the road, as crews relocate and install new communication facilities on the north and south side of the roadway. Expected completion is spring 2018.

**SR 60 from Diesel Road to Hillsborough County line:** Construction project: Watch for daytime lane closures in various locations from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. as crews continue widening shoulders. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures for paving from the railroad crossing to Diesel Road. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

This project includes resurfacing, drainage improvements, guardrail installation and median modifications. The Lane Construction Corporation is the contractor. Expected completion is fall 2018.

**SR 60 East from Airport Road to the CSX track:** Maintenance permit project: Watch for daytime lane closures while crews install sanitary force main and water main beneath the roadway and along the north side of SR 60. Work will occur near Airport and Acuff roads. Use caution and be prepared to merge.

**SR 37 (South Florida Avenue) from south of Alamo Drive to Shepherd Road:** Maintenance contracts project: Watch for southbound shoulder closures and periodic lane closures with equipment entering and leaving the roadway while crews work on the ditches. F.W.A.K is the contractor. Expected completion is fall 2017.

**SR 37 (South Florida Avenue) at Carter Road and Sheppard Road/Shimmering Drive:** Maintenance permits project: Watch for shoulder closures and trucks/equipment entering and leaving the highway as crews continue installing new pipe. Use caution.

**CR 559 (Bomber Road) at Gerber Dairy Road and Spruce Road:** Construction project: Watch for lane closures with flaggers directing traffic on Bomber Road at Spruce Road while crews widen the roadway, and at Gerber Dairy Road while crews place pipe. Use caution and be prepared to stop.

This project includes adding turn lanes at Spruce Road and Gerber Dairy Road, and replacing pipes, ditches, guardrail, mailboxes and signs. The contractor is Florida Safety Contractors. Expected completion is fall 2017.

## **SARASOTA COUNTY**

### **I-75 (SR 93) / University Parkway Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)**

**Sarasota/Bradenton:** Construction Project:

Temporary intermittent single and double lane closures are in place at night/overnight on northbound and southbound I-75 Sunday, August 6 through Saturday, August 12 between 8 p.m. and 7 a.m. the following morning. Double lane closures begin at 11 p.m. **Watch for shifts in traffic.**

Temporary intermittent single and double lane closures are in place at night/overnight on eastbound and westbound University Parkway and at Cooper Creek Blvd./Cattlemen Rd. and at Market St./Lake Osprey Dr. Sunday, August 6 through Saturday, August 12 from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. the following morning. Double lane closures begin at 10 p.m. **Watch for shifts in traffic.**

The contractor is installing final friction course and final striping. **Watch for trucks entering and leaving the highway and uneven pavement. Speeding fines double when workers are present.**

Improvements being made as part of this project consist of constructing a diverging diamond interchange, adding an auxiliary lane on northbound and southbound I-75, constructing new bridges on I-75 over University Parkway, widening of University Parkway, widening of I-75 bridges over Errie Creek and Foley Creek, realignment of on-ramps and off-ramps at I-75/University Parkway, addition of ponds, drainage improvements, new lighting and signalization, construction of a noise wall on the west side of I-75, sidewalks, bike lanes, and pedestrian walkways. Expected completion is fall 2017. The contractor is Prince Contracting, LLC. For additional information, please visit the project website at <http://www.swflroads.com/i75/university/>

**Business US 41 from Palermo Place to Venice Avenue:** Construction project: Crews are resurfacing the roadway, constructing new sidewalk and installing new bus pads. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures while crews are working. Estimated completion is summer 2017. Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC is the contractor.

**Business US 41 at the Circus Drawbridge:** Construction project: Crews are improving mechanical equipment; painting structural steel; making spall repairs, and replacing portions of sidewalk. Traffic has shifted to one bridge (one lane for each direction) while crews are working on the opposite bridge. The speed limit is reduced to 35 mph during construction. Southern Road and Bridge, LLC is the contractor. Expected completion is fall 2017.

**US 41 from SR 789 to Ritz Carlton Drive and sidewalk located along the north side of SR 789 from Sunset Drive to US 41:** Maintenance permit project: The sidewalk will remain closed until construction of the development located at the corner of US 41 and SR 789 is complete. Pedestrians should follow the established detour.

**US 41/Venice By-Pass from Gulf Coast Boulevard to Bird Bay Drive:** Construction project: Crews continue installing utility and storm drain systems and constructing temporary pavement. Expect intermittent nighttime/overnight northbound and southbound lane closures from 8 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. throughout the project limits while crews are working. Motorists should be mindful of the construction signs in place and traffic control officers and use caution while traveling through the project area. Bergeron Land Development is the contractor. Expected completion is spring 2018.

**US 41 from Browning Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street: US 41 from Browning Street to 11<sup>th</sup> Street:** Construction project: Crews are resurfacing the roadway; installing new drainage; installing highway lighting, curb and gutter; constructing new sidewalk, and installing new signing and pavement markings. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures on US 41; US 301; Fruitville Road, and Orange Avenue while crews are working. **Crews are constructing a new right turn-lane from northbound US 41 to Fruitville Road. Once constructed, the existing right turn-lane will be closed to traffic. Crews will then construct a pedestrian island and improve drainage. Nighttime/overnight northbound outside lane closures are also expected from 9 p.m. each night to 6 a.m.**

**each morning while crews are working.** Preferred Materials, Inc. is the contractor. Expected completion is fall 2017.

**US 41 from Salford Boulevard to Sumter Boulevard:** Construction project: Crews are widening US 41 from Salford Boulevard to Sumter Boulevard to a six-lane highway; resurfacing the roadway; improving drainage; constructing sidewalk, and installing highway lighting. Expect daytime lane closures for barrier wall installation within the medians. Expect nighttime/overnight lane closures from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. when crews are resurfacing the roadway. Russell Engineering, Inc. is the contractor. Expected completion is spring 2019.

**SR 776/ N. Indiana Avenue south of Tangerine Woods Boulevard:** Maintenance permit project: Crews are constructing a driveway. Expect northbound outside lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. through Friday, August 11. Use caution and expect possible delays.

**SR 758/Bee Ridge Road/Osprey Avenue from Siesta Drive to Dunn Drive:** Construction project: Motorists can expect intermittent lane closures as crews complete miscellaneous finish work in preparation for final layer of asphalt paving. From Shade Avenue to Beneva Road, traffic is shifted to the outside 2 lanes while crews construct the remaining pedestrian refuge islands. Please use caution in the areas that are closed for this work and pay close attention to the traffic control devices and barrels. Driving through the traffic control devices and into the work zone is prohibited. Be aware of slow moving construction equipment and plan additional travel time throughout the project.

The project consists of significant drainage improvements, removing old asphalt and resurfacing the roadway, reconstructing sidewalk, and installing new signalization in some areas. The project also includes construction of eleven (11) pedestrian refuge islands on Bee Ridge Road between Dunn Drive and US 41. Expected completion of the \$17 million project is fall of 2017.

**SR 758 at the Siesta Key Drawbridge:** Bridge maintenance project: Crews are working on the bridge. Expect nighttime/overnight east and westbound lane closures from 9 p.m. each night to 4 a.m. each morning Monday, August 7 through Wednesday, August 9. Use caution and expect possible delays.

**SR 72 at the Stickney Point Drawbridge:** Bridge maintenance project: Crews are working on the bridge. Expect nighttime/overnight westbound outside lane closures from 9 p.m. each night to 4 a.m. each morning Monday, August 28 and Thursday, August 31. Use caution and expect possible delays.

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