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DISTRICT ONE SOUTHERN COUNTIES ROADWATCH REPORT #2 FOR WEEK OF January 8, 2017

Fort Myers --- This weekly report is prepared by Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) to inform the public about upcoming road work in Southwest Florida. Below are the work schedule and lane closure locations for major state road projects.

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.

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As a reminder, travelers can visit 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

Southbound I-75 Weigh Station (mile marker 160) in Punta Gorda: Construction project: Work is underway to rebuild the southbound weigh station on the west side of the roadway. Once work is completed; crews will begin to rebuild the northbound weigh station on the east side of the roadway. Motorists should not expect lane closures on I-75. Estimated completion is summer 2017. 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 the project.**
- **Motorists should expect periodic travel lane shifts throughout the duration of construction.**

- **Motorists should expect the inside northbound lane on the bridge over the Peace River to be closed through the duration of the project.**
- **Motorists should expect Raintree Boulevard at the I-75 overpass CLOSED during nighttime/overnight hours on Sunday, January 8th. Motorists should follow detour signs.**

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 intermittent lane closures on US 41 during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, weather permitting. Intermittent lane closures may occur on side streets.**

- At **US 41/Parmely Street**, crews will add a new through/left-turn lane on Parmely Street to accommodate more vehicles turning left onto US 41/Tamiami Trail from Parmely Street.
- At **US 41/Olean Boulevard**, crews will add a new northbound right-turn lane on Olean Boulevard to accommodate more vehicles turning right onto US 41/Tamiami Trail from Olean Boulevard.
- At **US 41/Harborview Road** crews will add a new westbound through lane on Harborview Road to accommodate more vehicles heading west toward Edgewater Drive.

Motorists should be aware of heavy machinery and large trucks entering and exiting the roadway while crews install construction signage and silt fence. Please use caution and plan extra travel time 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 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.

- **Collingswood Boulevard is closed on the north side and south side of US 41.**
- **Collingswood Boulevard median at US 41 is closed.**
- **Chamberlain Boulevard median is closed.**
- **Chamberlain Boulevard is closed on the north side and south side of US 41.**
- **Warrington Boulevard is closed on the north side of US 41.**
- **The speed limit is reduced to 40 miles per hour.**

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

SR 776/El Jobean Road over the Myakka River: Construction project: Crews perform maintenance on the SR 776/McCall Road Bridge over the Myakka River. Marine traffic should expect construction barges and activity in the area. **Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours Monday through Friday, weather permitting.**

- **Motorists should expect shoulder closures during daytime hours and should use extreme caution as construction vehicles enter and exit the roadway.**

Boaters should use caution. Pedestrians should use **extreme** caution and stay behind the construction safety fence and out of the work zone. Estimated project completion is end of 2016. The contractor is Inland Construction & Equipment, Inc.

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 intermittent lane closures from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., through the duration of the project.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures along the outside northbound lane from mile marker 87 to mile marker 94.**

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

I-75 from the toll plaza (mile marker 100) to the Faka Union Canal (mile marker 91):

Construction project: This safety project adds approximately 18 miles (9 miles in each direction) of 10-foot fencing along I-75/Alligator Alley. Crews will work 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays. Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. The contractor is Gomez & Son Fence Corporation. Estimated completion is summer 2017.

US 41 from Cypress Woods Drive to Frank Whiteman Boulevard: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent inside southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays, for crews to perform maintenance work on the turn lane, weather permitting. Motorists should expect delays and use caution as crews work in the roadway.

US 41 from Wiggins Pass Road to Airport Pulling Road: Maintenance contract project: Crews will be sweeping US 41 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, January 9 through Thursday, January 19, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

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.

DESOTO COUNTY

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 is underway for two new travel lanes to the east and west of existing US 17 travel lanes includes utility activities, installation of drainage, and new roadway construction.

- 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; use SW Hibiscus Drive. Lowe Street is closed; use Heard Street.

Access businesses from the old roadway. 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.

GLADES COUNTY

US 27 from SR 78 to Cemex Road: Maintenance project: Crews will be trimming trees during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 78 from the Ortona Cemetery to Citrus Center Canal: Maintenance project: Crews will be performing shoulder maintenance during daytime hours, Tuesday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 78 from SR 29 to US 27: Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing washouts near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 78 from US 27 to Old Lake Port Road: Maintenance project: Crews will be landscaping during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 29 from the Hendry County line to US 27: Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing washouts near the roadway during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

HENDRY COUNTY

US 27 from Woodward Road to Air Glades Boulevard: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect the outside northbound lane closed from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. while crews construct a turn lane, 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.

SR 80 from Cowboy Way to Huggetts Road: Maintenance project: Crews will be performing shoulder maintenance during daytime hours, Monday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 80 from Phillips Road to Huggetts Road: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound 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. Monday through Friday, while crews pave the roadway, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

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 29 from Case Road to Wilson Road: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound 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. Monday through Friday, while crews construct a turn lane, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

LEE COUNTY

I-75 Airport Direct Connect (exit #128): Construction project: Crews are installing irrigation and landscaping on the southbound loop ramp to/from the Southwest Florida International Airport. **The majority of the work will be done during daytime hours.** Drivers should use caution traveling in the work zone. Estimated completion is summer 2017. The contractor is Superior Landscaping & Lawn Service, Inc.

US 41 from Dana Drive to Pine Drive: Maintenance project: Crews will be installing sidewalk on the west side of the roadway during daytime hours Monday through Friday, 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 lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Saturday, weather permitting.** 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 Caloosahatchee Bridge:** Construction project: Crews perform maintenance on the US 41 bridge over the Caloosahatchee River. Marine traffic should expect construction barges and activity in the area. **Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours Monday through Friday, weather permitting.** Boaters should use caution. Pedestrians should use **extreme** caution and stay behind the construction safety fence and out of the work zone. Estimated project completion is end of 2016. The contractor is Inland Construction & Equipment, Inc.
- US 41 from Cedar Creek Drive to South Bay Drive:** Maintenance project: Crews will be performing shoulder maintenance and installing sod during daytime hours, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.
- US 41 from Sanibel Boulevard to Emerson Square Boulevard:** Maintenance project: Crews will be performing shoulder maintenance and installing sod during daytime hours, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.
- 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.
- SR 884/Colonial Boulevard from SR 739/Metro Parkway to Veronica Shoemaker Boulevard:** Construction project: This project builds a multi-use path and improves pedestrian access at bus stops on the north side of the roadway. Work occurs during daytime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent westbound lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday.** Motorists and pedestrians should follow detour signs and use caution while driving in this area. Estimated project completion is spring of 2017. The contractor is Rogar Management & Consulting of Florida, LLC.
- SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Prospect Avenue to Fairview Avenue:** Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing sidewalk during daytime hours, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.
- SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Fairfax Avenue to Flamingo Avenue:** Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing sidewalk during daytime hours, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.
- SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Adams Avenue to Fairview Avenue:** Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing sidewalk during daytime hours, Monday through Friday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard at River Hall Parkway: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect the inside eastbound lane closed during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Friday while crews construct a turn lane, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Veronica Shoemaker Boulevard to Polk Avenue: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect the inside eastbound lane closed from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, January 11 while crews repair irrigation in the median. Motorists should use caution and expect delays as crews work in the roadway.

SR 78/Pine Island Road/Bayshore Road from US 41 to Hart/New Post Road: Construction project: This project includes resurfacing the roadway, bike lanes and signal upgrades at various intersections. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. through the duration of the project. Intermittent lane closures may occur on side streets.** Drivers should use caution while driving in this area. Estimated project completion is fall 2017. The contractor is AJAX Industries of Florida, Inc.

SR 78/Pine Island Road from Santa Barbara Boulevard to Chiquita Boulevard: Maintenance project: Crews will be striping the roadway during nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday through Thursday, weather permitting. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

Leeland Heights Boulevard from Georgia Road to Richmond Avenue: Construction project: This project includes sidewalk installation and drainage improvements to the north side of the roadway. Work occurs during daytime hours. **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Saturday. Local area residents will have access at all times. Intermittent lane closures may occur on side streets.**

- **Motorists should expect McKinley Avenue closed on the north side of Leeland Heights Boulevard.**

Motorists and pedestrians should follow detour signs and use caution while driving in this area. Estimated project completion is spring of 2017. The contractor is Wright Construction Group, Inc.

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