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DISTRICT ONE SOUTHERN COUNTIES ROADWATCH REPORT #20 FOR WEEK OF MAY 15, 2016

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

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 the southbound on-ramp at Harborview Road (exit #167) closed during the nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. on Monday, May 16 and Tuesday, May 17, weather permitting. Motorists should follow detour signs.**
- **Motorists should expect Raintree Street to be closed temporarily for the next several months at the I-75 overpass. 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.

I-75 from Lee/Charlotte County Line to North Jones Loop Road (mile marker 161):

Construction project: Crews are adding lanes, resurfacing the existing roadway, performing bridge work, making drainage improvements, and adding guardrail, signs and pavement markings from the Lee/Charlotte County line to south of Tuckers Grade (exit #158). Crews are also making drainage improvements from north of Tuckers Grade (exit #158) to south of North Jones Loop Road (exit #161). **Motorists should expect lane closures on I-75 during the nighttime/overnight hours from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. through the duration of the project.** Motorists should also use caution as construction vehicles and equipment enter and exit the roadway. PLEASE DRIVE WITH CARE. Variable message boards notify motorists of anticipated closures. Estimated project completion is summer 2016. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida, Inc.

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 during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. Sunday, May 15 to 1 a.m. Monday, May 16, for crews to install signal cables. Motorists should expect delays and use caution as crews work in the roadway.**
- 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.

- **Como Street is closed at US 41. Motorists should follow detour signs.**
- **Flamingo Street will close when Como Street is open at the end of the week.**
- **Northbound Collingswood Boulevard is closed at US 41. Motorists should follow detour signs.**
- **Southbound Sherbourne Street is closed at US 41.**
- **Northbound and southbound traffic is shifted to the inside lanes.**
- **Chamberlain Boulevard at US 41 is open. The Chamberlain Boulevard median opening is closed.**
- **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.

US 41 over the Peace River: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent outside southbound lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday for crews to perform maintenance on the bike path and sidewalk. Drivers should use caution and expect delays as crews work in the roadway.

SR 776/Veterans Boulevard from US 41/Tamiami Trail to Murdock Circle: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect the inside eastbound lane closed from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekdays, for crews to perform maintenance on the median. Drivers should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

COLLIER COUNTY

I-75 from Broward County Line (mile marker 25) 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 from the Broward County line to east of CR 951 in Collier County. 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, with intermittent lane closures. 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 the outside southbound lane closed from mile marker 50 to mile marker 53.**

- **Crews will be installing guardrail along the southbound roadway from mile marker 91 to mile marker 90.**

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 north of CR 951/Collier Boulevard (mile marker 101) to just north of Golden Gate Parkway (mile marker 105): 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. Variable message signs are in place to alert drivers that work is underway. Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated completion is summer 2016. The contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, Inc.

US 41 at Pelican Marsh Boulevard: Construction project: Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m. for crews to make signalization improvements at the intersection. Estimated project completion is summer 2016. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida, Inc.

US 41 from Mosquito Canal to SR 29: Construction project: Crews are resurfacing US 41 from east of the Mosquito Canal to SR 29. This project also includes widening the shoulder and replacing the guardrail.

- **Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during daytime hours Monday through Friday for crews to stripe the roadway.**

Flaggers will be on site to maintain traffic. Drivers should expect possible delays and use caution while crews work in the roadway. Estimated completion is spring 2016. The contractor is General Asphalt Company, Inc.

US 41 from Six L's Farm Road to CR 92/San Marco Road: Construction project: Crews are constructing a multi-use path on the south side of roadway. **The speed limit will be reduced from 60 mph to 50 mph during the day.** The speed limit will remain at 45 mph during nighttime hours. Motorists should expect intermittent daytime lane closures while crews are working. Driver should use caution traveling in the work zone. Estimated completion is summer 2016. The contractor is Community Asphalt Corporation.

SR 951/Collier Boulevard from Tower Road to Championship Drive: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect the outside southbound lane closed during the nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday through Thursday, for crews to install concrete poles. Drivers should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

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 of US 17 north of Joshua Creek. Nighttime single-lane flagging operation US 17 at Fletcher St. In Arcadia, there will be intermittent lane closures on US 17, SR 70 and side streets for sidewalk improvements. NEW TRAFFIC PATTERN - Southbound US 17 travel lane shifts to the east from Palmetto Street to Dr. MLK Jr. Street. SW Hibiscus Dr. is closed, and the detour route is SW Palm Dr. to SE Hillsborough Ave. 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

SR 78 from Canal Boat Ramp to Okeechobee County Line: Construction project: Crews are re-setting guardrail and paving throughout project limits. Watch for single lane closures with flaggers directing traffic. Work on this project includes resurfacing and resetting guardrail. Expected project completion is summer 2016. The contractor is Lawrence-Lynch Corporation. Motorists should use caution when traveling through the work zone.

SR 78 in the City of Lakeport: Maintenance project: Crews will be landscaping near the roadway during daytime hours. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

US 27 from the Highlands County Line to the City of Palmdale: Maintenance project: Crews will be landscaping near the roadway during daytime hours. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

US 27 from SR 78/Lakeport Road to 3 miles north of the City of Palmdale: Maintenance project: Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during daytime hours Monday through Friday while crews make asphalt repairs at various locations. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

HENDRY

SR 82/Immokalee Road from the Lee/Hendry County line to the Hendry/Collier County line: Construction project: Crews widen SR 82 to four lanes from the Lee/Hendry County line to the Hendry/Collier County line. This 1.3 mile project improves drainage to manage water running off the roadway and builds new five-foot sidewalk on the north side of the road. Motorists should expect lane closures through the duration of the project while crews are working and use caution traveling in the work zone.

- **Eastbound and westbound vehicles use the newly constructed lanes on the north side of the road.**

Drivers should use caution while traveling in this area. Estimated completion is end of 2016. The contractor is Community Asphalt Corporation.

US 27 at Sky Valley Lane: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound lane closures during daytime hours Monday through Friday while crews repair guardrail. Motorists should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 29 from the Glades County line to the City of Felda: Maintenance project: Crews will be landscaping near the roadway during daytime hours. Motorists should use caution as crews work near the roadway.

LEE COUNTY

I-75 from SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard to SR 78/Bayshore Road: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 9 p.m. Sunday, May 15 to 5 a.m. Monday, May 16, for crews to inspect the roadway. Drivers should expect delays and use caution as crews work in the roadway.

US 41 from Littleton Road to Tamiami Village: Maintenance project: Crews will be repairing sidewalk on the south side of the roadway from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. weekdays, weather permitting. Pedestrians should expect intermittent sidewalk closures and use caution as crews work in this area.

US 41 from Batista Farms Road to Elwood Road: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect outside southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays, for crews to construct a deceleration lane. Drivers should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

US 41 from Santa Elena Drive to Hickory Drive: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect outside southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. weekdays, for crews to construct a deceleration lane. Drivers should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

SR 884/Colonial Boulevard at I-75: Construction project: Motorists should expect intermittent westbound lane closures from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and intermittent eastbound lane closures from 7 p.m. to 2 p.m. for crews to make improvements to the intersection. Work includes modifications to the westbound and southbound dual left turn lanes and I-75 entrance ramps. Crews will also make modifications to the island between the eastbound/southbound and westbound/southbound entrance ramps. The job installs new signal mast arms for westbound and southbound dual left turn lanes. Estimated project completion is summer 2016. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida, Inc.

SR 867/McGregor Boulevard at A&W Bulb Road: Construction project: This intersection improvement project installs a new traffic signal at the intersection of SR 867/McGregor Boulevard and A&W Bulb Road. Work includes a new traffic signal, median modifications and resurfacing. The improvements also add sidewalks, signs and pavement markings.

- **Motorists should expect 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 traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is early summer 2016. The Contractor is Wright Construction Group.

SR 739/Evans Avenue at Thompson Street: Construction project: Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p. m. to 6 a.m. for crews to make signalization improvements at the intersection. Estimated project completion is summer 2016. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida, Inc.

SR 82/Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard at Fowler Street: Construction project: This intersection improvement project upgrades traffic signals, sidewalks and signage and pavement markings. Motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m., through the duration of the project. Drivers should use caution traveling in this area. Estimated project completion is early summer 2016. The Contractor is Wright Construction Group.

SR 82/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard from Evans Avenue to Ortiz Avenue: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent inside eastbound and westbound lane closures from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday, for crews to replace mulch in the median. Drivers should expect delays and use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 80/Palm Beach Boulevard from Veronica Shoemaker Boulevard to Terry Park Avenue: Maintenance permit project: Motorists should expect the outside westbound lane closed from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Tuesday, May 17, for crews to plant trees along the roadway. Drivers should expect delays and use caution as crews work near the roadway.

SR 78/Pine Island Road at Hibiscus Drive: Maintenance contract project: Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound and westbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., weekdays, for crews to construct a turn lane. Drivers should use caution as crews work in the roadway.

Santa Barbara Boulevard at SE 24th Street: Construction project: motorists should expect intermittent lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours from 6 p.m. to 6 a.m., weekdays, for crews to install new signing and pavement markings at the intersection. Estimated project completion is summer 2016. The contractor is AJAX Paving Industries of Florida, Inc.

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