



FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE ENTERPRISE

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SOUTH FLORIDA AND TREASURE COAST WEEKLY LANE CLOSURES AND WORK ZONE ADVISORY

FORT LAUDERDALE — Florida's Turnpike announces updated lane closures and work zones due to construction and maintenance projects in Miami-Dade, Broward, Palm Beach, Martin, and St. Lucie counties, **for the week beginning Sunday, August 3.**

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY

TURNPIKE BRIDGE MAINTENANCE (MILEPOST 11-16)

- Two of four southbound Turnpike lanes closed at Southwest 117th Avenue (Milepost 16) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. for two nights — Monday, Aug. 4, and Tuesday, Aug. 5.
- Two of four southbound Turnpike lanes closed in the area of Caribbean Boulevard/US 1 (Milepost 12) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. for two nights — Tuesday, Aug. 5, and Wednesday, Aug. 6.
- One of two southbound lanes closed on the Turnpike frontage road, north of Hainlin Mills Road (Milepost 11) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. for two nights — Wednesday, Aug. 6, and Thursday, Aug. 7.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The bridge that connects northbound Florida's Turnpike to the Homestead Extension of Florida's Turnpike will be cleaned, primed and painted. The project is scheduled for completion in July 2008. Approximate cost: \$1 million.

TURNPIKE / HOMESTEAD EXTENSION BRIDGE PAINTING (MILEPOST 44-46)

- The SunPass-only lane located on the right side of the Miramar toll plaza, for southbound Turnpike traffic headed to the Homestead Extension, will be closed from 7 p.m. to 5 a.m. Wednesday, Aug. 6, through Saturday, Aug. 9.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The bridge that connects northbound Florida's Turnpike to the Homestead Extension of Florida's Turnpike will be cleaned, primed and painted. The project is nearly complete. Approximate cost: \$1 million.

OKEECHOBEE TOLL PLAZA OPEN ROAD TOLLING AND NW 74TH STREET INTERCHANGE (MILEPOST 32)

- One or two northbound Turnpike lanes will be closed, north and south of Okeechobee mainline toll plaza, from 10 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 3, to 6 a.m. Monday, Aug. 4.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Okeechobee mainline toll plaza will be converted into an open-road tolling plaza that will allow motorists with SunPass to travel at highway speeds while their toll is collected via SunPass equipment overhead ... no gates, no tollbooths. Cash-paying motorists will pull off the highway onto ramps with traditional tollbooths and then merge back onto the travel lanes. A new SunPass-only interchange will be constructed at Northwest 74th Street. Construction began in January 2007 and is scheduled for completion in late 2009/early 2010. Approximate cost: \$63.4 million.

BROWARD COUNTY

SAWGRASS EXPRESSWAY – OPEN ROAD TOLLING AT SUNRISE TOLL PLAZA

- One or two lanes in either direction on the Sawgrass Expressway may be closed as needed for asphalt work Sunday, Aug. 3, through Thursday, Aug. 7, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and from 8 p.m. to 6 a.m., north and south of the Sunrise toll plaza.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Sunrise mainline toll plaza on the Sawgrass Expressway will be converted into a high-tech, open-road tolling (ORT) plaza that will allow motorists with SunPass to pay their toll while traveling at highway speeds of 65 mph. The work entails constructing SunPass-only gantries south of the existing plaza and removing the center tollbooths from the existing toll plaza. The project is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2008. Approximate cost: \$26.2 million.

SAWGRASS EXPRESSWAY – OPEN ROAD TOLLING AT RAMPS

- No lane closures scheduled this week.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: SunPass-only lanes have been constructed at eight ramp toll plazas on the Sawgrass Expressway, including those at Commercial Boulevard, Atlantic Boulevard, Sample Road and University Drive. The project will be completed this summer, once the toll equipment installation is finalized. Approximate cost: \$13.9 million.

SAWGRASS EXPRESSWAY – OPEN ROAD TOLLING AT DEERFIELD TOLL PLAZA

- **Southbound Turnpike off-ramp to westbound Sawgrass** – Closed from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. for up to five nights — Monday, Aug. 4, through Friday, Aug. 8.
 - Traffic should exit at Glades Road (Exit 75) and follow the detour signs to Lyons Road and the westbound Sawgrass Expressway.
- One lane in each direction may be closed on the Sawgrass Expressway from Lyons Road to Florida's Turnpike between 7 p.m. and 6 a.m. Monday, Aug. 4, through Friday, Aug. 8.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The Deerfield mainline toll plaza on the Sawgrass Expressway will be converted into a high-tech, open-road tolling (ORT) plaza that will allow motorists with SunPass to pay their toll while traveling at highway speeds of 65 mph. The work entails constructing SunPass-only gantries west of the existing plaza and removing the center tollbooths from the existing toll plaza. The project is scheduled for completion in the spring of 2010. Approximate cost: \$39 million.

SAWGRASS EXPRESSWAY – ‘SMART HIGHWAYS’ PROJECT

- One lane in either direction may be closed on nine cross streets approaching the Sawgrass Expressway, from Sunrise Boulevard to Lyons Road, between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday, Aug. 4, through Friday, Aug. 8.
 - Only one interchange cross street will be affected at any one time as crews work on electronic signs.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Electronic, dynamic message signs (DMS) are being installed on nine cross streets with interchanges at the Sawgrass Expressway, from Sunrise Boulevard to Lyons Road, to advise drivers about traffic incidents and conditions on the Sawgrass Expressway as they approach the expressway’s entrance ramps. The project also includes the installation of a road weather information system, a travel time system, a speed monitoring system and an additional DMS on the Sawgrass Expressway. The project is scheduled for completion in the fall of 2008. Approximate cost: \$3.6 million.

TURNPIKE WIDENING – GRIFFIN ROAD TO SUNRISE BOULEVARD (MILEPOST 53 to 58)

- One or two lanes in both directions will be closed periodically on the Turnpike between Griffin Road (Exit 53) and Sunrise Boulevard (Exit 58) from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday, August 4, through Friday, August 8.

Local roadways affected:

- One eastbound lane on Peters Road will be closed from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday, August 4, through Friday, August 8.

TURNPIKE WIDENING – SUNRISE BOULEVARD TO ATLANTIC BOULEVARD (MILEPOST 58 to 66)

- Two lanes in both directions will be closed periodically on the Turnpike between Sunrise Boulevard (Exit 58) and Commercial Boulevard (Exit 62) from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday, August 4, through Friday, August 8.

Local roadways affected:

One or two lanes both northbound and southbound on Lyons Road will be closed during daytime and some nighttime hours.

Toll plazas affected:

Commercial Boulevard Toll Plaza (Exit 62) - One of the three toll lanes at the entrance to southbound Turnpike and one lane exiting the plaza will be closed 24/7.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: This project is the first phase of a multi-year, multi-million dollar construction program to widen Florida’s Turnpike in Broward County from six to eight lanes. The first phase is in its third year of construction on the southbound lanes from Griffin Road (Exit 53) to Atlantic Boulevard (Exit 66). Approximate project cost: \$265 million. Completion is anticipated during the summer of 2010.

TURNPIKE – ONE MILE SOUTH OF SAWGRASS INTERCHANGE (MILEPOST 70.0 to 70.5)

- Restricted outside shoulder and inside shoulder in both directions 24/7 until the completion of the project.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Broward County is extending Wiles Road to Powerline Road by constructing a bridge over the Turnpike.

PALM BEACH COUNTY

ATLANTIC AVENUE INTERCHANGE RE-CONFIGURATION (MILEPOST 80-82)

- No scheduled closures this week.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Widening of Florida's Turnpike from four to six lanes between the Atlantic Avenue interchange and the Lantana toll plaza, including the reconstruction of the Atlantic Avenue interchange. The interchange project started in 2005 and is scheduled for completion in early 2009. Approximate cost: \$81 million.

TURNPIKE – ONE MILE NORTH OF LANTANA TOLL PLAZA (MILEPOST 89)

- Restricted outside shoulder and inside shoulder in both directions 24/7 until the completion of the project.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Palm Beach County is extending Hypoluxo Road over the Turnpike.

TURNPIKE – ‘SMART HIGHWAYS’ PROJECT (MILEPOST 75- 116)

- One lane in either direction will be closed as needed between 7 p.m. and 7 a.m. at the following arterial roads, approaching Florida's Turnpike, as crews work on post foundations for electronic, dynamic message boards (DMS).
 - Eastbound Indiantown Road – Monday, Aug. through Wednesday, Aug. 6
 - Westbound Indiantown Road – Tuesday, Aug. 5, through Thursday, Aug. 7
 - Westbound PGA Boulevard – Wednesday, Aug. 6, through Friday, Aug. 8
 - Westbound Okeechobee Boulevard – Thursday, Aug. 7, through Saturday, Aug. 9
 - Westbound Boynton Beach Boulevard – Friday, Aug. 8, through Sunday, Aug. 10
 - Eastbound Glades Road – Saturday, Aug. 9

ST. LUCIE COUNTY

TURNPIKE– FIVE MILES NORTH OF FORT PIERCE INTERCHANGE (MILEPOST 157-159)

- Northbound and southbound lane closure from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Monday to Friday, August 4 to August 8.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Workers will be performing maintenance on bridge.



Florida's Turnpike Enterprise is part of the Florida Department of Transportation overseeing a 460-mile system of limited-access toll highways: *THE FLORIDA'S TURNPIKE, EXTENDING NORTH FROM HOMESTEAD IN MIAMI-DADE COUNTY TO WILDWOOD IN SUMTER COUNTY, THE SEMINOLE EXPRESSWAY AND SOUTHERN CONNECTOR (TOLL 417) IN SEMINOLE, ORANGE AND Osceola COUNTIES, THE BEACHLINE EXPRESSWAY WEST (TOLL 528) IN ORANGE COUNTY, THE POLK PARKWAY (TOLL 570) IN POLK COUNTY, THE VETERANS EXPRESSWAY AND SUNCOAST PARKWAY IN HILLSBOROUGH, PASCO AND HERNANDO COUNTIES (TOLL 589), THE SAWGRASS EXPRESSWAY (TOLL 869) IN BROWARD COUNTY, AND THE Daniel Webster Western Beltway Part C (Toll 429) in Orange County.*

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Travelers on the Florida's Turnpike system of roads may view real-time traffic information by visiting our website at <http://www.floridasturnpike.com>. While traveling in the Orlando, South Florida and Tampa Bay regions, motorists should dial 511 for real-time regional traffic information on the Turnpike and other major roads. This information system is voice-activated; motorists should speak the name of the road they wish to use. They may also visit <http://www.fl511.com> for information. This free service of the Florida Department of Transportation is available 24/7.

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