



# 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, February 7.**

***SuperBowl - All lane closures in the vicinity of the stadium in Broward and Miami-Dade counties will be suspended during the game.  
For up-to-date traffic information drivers should call 511 before they get on the road.***

### **MIAMI-DADE COUNTY**

#### TURNPIKE ALL-ELECTRONIC OPEN ROAD TOLLING U.S. 1 TO COUNTY LINE ROAD (MILEPOST 0-47)

- One or two SunPass-only express lanes in each direction will be closed at the **Bird Road** toll plaza from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday, Feb. 8, through Thursday, Feb. 11.
- All **northbound** SunPass-only express lanes will be closed at the **Bird Road** toll plaza from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. for two nights Wednesday, Feb. 10, and Thursday, Feb. 11.
  - All northbound SunPass traffic will be diverted to the SunPass/cash lanes at the toll plaza.
- One Turnpike lane in each direction will be closed east of the **Miramar** toll plaza from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday, Feb. 8, through Thursday, Feb. 11.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Two construction projects are underway to upgrade the Homestead, Bird Road, Okeechobee and Miramar mainline toll plazas and the 33 ramp plazas located between the U.S. 1 and County Line Road interchanges. The upgrades will allow for all-electronic open road tolling on this segment of the Turnpike beginning in early 2011, when cash toll collections will be eliminated simultaneously at all the toll plazas. Approximate combined cost: \$57.8 million.

## TURNPIKE – MILLING AND RESURFACING PROJECTS (MILEPOST 0-9)

- One **southbound** lane and shoulder will be closed on various segments of the Turnpike between Allapattah Road (Exit 9) and South Dixie Highway/U.S. 1 (Exit 1) from 8 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, through Thursday, Feb. 11.
- **Southbound Turnpike exit** ramp to Tallahassee Road/Southwest 137<sup>th</sup> Avenue (Exit 6) – Closed from 10 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 7, to 6 a.m. Monday, Feb. 8.
  - Detour: To access Tallahassee Road, motorists should exit the Turnpike at Biscayne Drive and then go east to Tallahassee Road.
- **Southbound Turnpike exit** ramp to Biscayne Drive/Southwest 288<sup>th</sup> Street (Exit 5) – Closed from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. for three nights — Tuesday, Feb. 9, Wednesday, Feb. 10, and Thursday, Feb. 11.
  - Detour: To access Biscayne Drive, motorists should exit the Turnpike at Tallahassee Road (Exit 6) and then go south to Biscayne Drive.
- **Southbound Turnpike entrance** ramp from Biscayne Drive/Southwest 288<sup>th</sup> Street (Exit 5) – Closed from 10 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11, to 6 a.m. Friday, Feb. 12.
  - Detour: To access the southbound Turnpike, motorists should take Biscayne Drive to Tallahassee Road/137<sup>th</sup> Avenue and go south to Campbell Drive, where they can enter the southbound Turnpike.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Construction is underway to remove the existing pavement and to resurface and restripe various segments of the Turnpike from U.S. 1 (Exit 1) to Allapattah Road (Exit 9). The project is scheduled for completion in the summer of 2010. Approximate cost: \$5.5 million.

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

- Two **northbound** or **southbound** SunPass-only express lanes will be closed at Okeechobee toll plaza between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m. Monday, Feb. 8, through Thursday, Feb. 11, for asphalt work.
  - At least two SunPass-only express lanes in each direction will remain open.

**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 is under construction at Northwest 74<sup>th</sup> Street. Construction began in January 2007 and is scheduled for completion in the spring 2010. Approximate cost: \$64.8 million.

## **BROWARD COUNTY**

### SAWGRASS EXPRESSWAY – BRIDGE MAINTENANCE

- One of three **northbound** lane will be closed on the Sawgrass Expressway bridge over Commercial Boulevard from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Sunday, Feb. 9 and Monday, Feb. 9.
- One of three **southbound** lane will be closed on the Sawgrass Expressway bridge over Atlantic Boulevard from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday, Feb. 9 and Tuesday, Feb. 10.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** Work crews will perform routine maintenance on the bridge expansion joints.

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

- One to two lanes in both directions will be closed periodically on the Turnpike between Griffin Road (Exit 53) and Sunrise Boulevard (Exit 58) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.

#### **Local interchanges affected:**

- Intermittent ramp closures at I-595 westbound ramp from the Turnpike between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. from Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.
- Intermittent ramp closures at Sunrise Blvd's (Exit 58) southbound off-ramp between 10 p.m. and 5 a.m. from Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.

#### **Local road affected:**

- Periodic, off peak, nighttime lane closures on eastbound westbound on Broward Boulevard from Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.

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

- One to two lanes in both directions will be closed periodically on the Turnpike between Sunrise Boulevard (Exit 58) and Atlantic Boulevard (Exit 66) from 9 p.m. to 5 a.m. Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.

#### **Local road affected:**

- Periodic, off-peak, nighttime lane closures in both directions on Commercial Boulevard Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.
- Periodic, off-peak, nighttime lane closures in both directions on SR 7 / US 441 Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project is a multi-million dollar construction program to widen Florida's Turnpike in Broward County; an additional travel lane is being added to both the northbound and southbound directions. There are three active phases in progress between Griffin Road (Exit 53) and Atlantic Boulevard (Exit 66). Approximate projects cost: \$260 million.

## **PALM BEACH COUNTY**

### **TURNPIKE INTERCHANGE RECONFIGURATION – LAKE WORTH ROAD (MILEPOST 93)**

#### **Local road affected:**

- Periodic, off-peak, nighttime lane closures in both directions on Lake Worth Road from Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:** This project is an interchange reconfiguration at the Turnpike's Lake Worth Interchange (Exit 93) which will split the existing plaza. A new plaza will be built in the southwest quadrant, providing separate access for northbound and southbound drivers. Approximate project cost: \$17.5 million.

### **TURNPIKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – FT. PIERCE (EXIT 152) & ST. LUCIE (EXIT 142)**

- No lane closures to report this week.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Two improvement projects are underway in St. Lucie County. The Port St. Lucie (Exit 142) northbound interchange ramps are being resurfaced and realigned. The project began in July and is projected to be completed in February 2010.

The second project is an improvement of the northbound off ramp at the Ft Pierce interchange (Exit 152). The ramp is being realigned. This project started in June 2009 and is projected to be completed in February 2010.

Combined costs for these two projects are approximately: \$2.8 million.

**INDIAN RIVER COUNTY**

**TURNPIKE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – (Milepost 169 to Milepost 179)**

- Periodic nighttime and daytime off peak single lane closures will take place on the northbound and southbound lanes of the Turnpike Monday, Feb. 8, through Friday, Feb. 12.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

Resurfacing and safety improvement are being performed on the Turnpike between the Fort t Pierce area and Fort Drum Service Plaza. This project started in August and is projected to be complete late January 2010. Cost for this project is approximately: \$4.3 million.



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.f511.com> for information. This free service of the Florida Department of Transportation is available 24/7.

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