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ROAD WATCH UPDATE

New Updates & Revisions **June 25th through July 1st, 2015**

Big Carlos Bridge # 120028: Lee County DOT will perform bridge maintenance on the Big Carlos Draw Bridge beginning July 13th and be completed by July 30th, 2015, weather permitting. There will be single lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Estero Parkway Bridge # 124128: Lee County DOT will perform bridge maintenance on the Estero Parkway Bridge (I-75 Overpass) beginning June 30th and be completed by July 9th, 2015, weather permitting. There will be single lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Most of the work will be done in the emergency lanes with no impact to traffic.

Veterans Memorial Parkway at the Del Prado Overpass Bridge # 124098: Lee County DOT will perform bridge maintenance at the Del Prado Overpass beginning June 29th and be completed by July 9th, 2015, weather permitting. There will be single lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

If you have any questions regarding the above bridge maintenance projects, contact Doug Busbee at 533-9400.

Sanibel Causeway Toll Bridge: Lee County DOT will be replacing an overhead sign at the Sanibel Toll Bridge (Lane 3) on Tuesday, June 30th, from Noon to 4 p.m. Lane 3 is the *LeeWay SunPass Only* lane. While work is being done, two additional toll lanes will be open. For information about this project, contact Efrain Cruz or Dan Vasiloff at 239-533-9500.

Midpoint Memorial Bridge: Cape Coral's Red, White and Boom celebration will close the Cape Coral Bridge from 4:30 a.m. Saturday, July 4th, through 3 a.m. Sunday, July 5th.

Motorists are encouraged to use the Midpoint Memorial Bridge or the U.S. 41 and Business 41 bridges as alternate routes. Lee County Department of Transportation has placed message boards out for motorists and will keep them in place through the holiday and the closing.

The CenturyLink Freedom 5K happens on Independence Day. Registration begins at 6:30 a.m. Race start is 7:30 a.m. Then the city celebrates with an event beginning at 5 p.m. at the foot of the Cape Coral Bridge, followed by fireworks around 9:30 p.m.

For race information, contact the Chamber of Commerce of Cape Coral at (239) 549-6900 ext. 111. For information about Red, White and Boom, call Cape Coral Parks and Recreation at (239) 573-3128.

For more information about Lee County Department of Transportation, call (239) 533-8580.

Road Maintenance This Week

Striping Maintenance: Lee County DOT will be performing a moving operation with traffic delays on **6-25-15 through 7-1-15** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (weather permitting) on:

Cape Coral Parkway
Colonial Boulevard
Del Prado Boulevard
Fowler Street

Intersection Work: Intermittent lane closures and delays are possible on **6-25-15 through 7-1-15** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (weather permitting) on the following roadways:

Bonita Beach Road
Various local streets in North Fort Myers

DOT will perform intersection work on Veterans Parkway at the Midpoint Toll Plaza with intermittent lane closures and possible traffic delays (weather permitting) on Thursday, June 25th, from 7 p.m. to 4 a.m.

For questions relating to the above road maintenance projects, contact Randy Hart at 533-9500.

Traffic Signal Work: Gladiolus and Pine Ridge Road & Florida South Western and Cypress Lake Drive: Lee County DOT will be performing overhead traffic signal work at Gladiolus and Pine Ridge Road on Wednesday, July 1st, from approximately 9 a.m. to noon. After this signal work is complete, DOT will then move to the Florida South Western (Old Edison Lane) and Cypress Lake Drive intersection to perform overhead signal work. Motorists are advised to drive with caution at these intersections as the traffic signal will be dark. The Lee County Sheriff's Office will direct traffic at both locations. For further questions, contact Efrain Cruz at 533-9500.

1. Road Work/Maintenance:

Estero Boulevard

Beginning Monday, May 18th, Fort Myers Beach motorists should expect delays while traveling through the mid-island portion of Estero Boulevard as Florida Power and Light (FPL) begins replacing the power poles to strengthen its facilities on Fort Myers Beach. The work is anticipated to improve service reliability related to severe weather.

This work will occur within a three-mile segment of Estero Boulevard between Bay Beach Lane and Bay Mar Drive, and also on Curlew Street. The work entails replacing existing poles with stronger concrete poles and adding additional poles at select locations. Once the new poles are installed, crews will begin transferring the utility lines over to the new poles and removing old poles.

FPL contractors will need to close the southbound lane and the center turn lane, as the equipment needed for the job must be staged on the roadway to lift and set the poles in their new locations.

FPL contractors will close the lanes between 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily. If necessary, the contractor may close lanes overnight between 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Lane closures will be limited to the areas the contractors will be actively working on that day. Flaggers will alternate traffic directions frequently, but motorists can expect delays of 15 minutes or more depending on traffic volume. Work involving closure of both the southbound lane

and center turn lane is expected to be completed by August; crews will be working in the area through December.

Contact FPL's Scott Overbaugh at 941-637-5503 with project-related questions. This work is independent of the anticipated Estero Boulevard Improvement Project, which is in final design stages for the first phase from Crescent Street to near Lovers Lane. Construction of Estero Boulevard improvements is expected to start this summer. Details about that project are available online at www.refreshFMBeach.com or by calling (239) 337-1071.

Fort Myers – The Villas Sidewalk Construction: Lee County DOT is constructing a sidewalk along Sunrise Avenue from Austin to Fordham Street. There will also be sidewalk construction on Beacon Avenue from Sunrise Avenue to Crystal Drive. This work will include intermittent lane closures with an anticipated completion date of August, 2015. For further questions, contact Sarah Clarke at 533-8718.

Iona Road: Pike Electric will be replacing overhead utility poles on Iona Road beginning Monday, May 11th. Iona Road will be closed as men with equipment work along Iona in intervals from Thornton Road to McGregor Boulevard between the hours of 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Message boards and a nighttime detour will be in place alerting motorists of the road closure. This project should be completed by the end of June. For questions relating to this project, contact Matt Gibbs, Pike Electric at 239-284-6445.

Pine Island – Matlacha: Lee County DOT will be improving pedestrian facilities beginning May 4th, 2015 in the Matlacha area. This work will include shoulder closures with construction vehicles intermittently entering and exiting the roadway. The project should be completed in approximately 60 days. For further questions, contact Sarah Clarke at 533-8718.

2. Bridge Maintenance:

Harbor Drive Bridge # 124027, - Lee County DOT will be performing bridge repairs on the Harbor Drive Bridge in Boca Grande starting Monday, May 18th and should be completed by the end of June 30th. There will be single lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Matlacha Park Bridge # 124083: The Lee County Department of Transportation is managing a milling and paving project at the entrance to Matlacha Park. The work is not expected to impact traffic on Pine Island Road and should be completed by July 1st, 2015.

3. Canal Maintenance

Kelly Road – Pine Ridge and San Carlos Boulevard: Lee County DOT will be performing canal maintenance on Kelly Road between Pine Ridge Road and San Carlos Boulevard on Monday, June 15th. Motorists are advised to drive with caution in this area as Lee County will provide the MOT (maintenance of traffic) with flaggers on hand to control traffic. The crew will work between the hours of 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. This project should be completed by Friday, June 19th. If you have questions regarding this project, contact Tim Kiser at 239-707-6942.

Three Oaks Parkway: Lee County Natural Resources will widen the canal on the east side of Three Oaks Parkway from Williams Road north to the Estero River beginning at 9 a.m. Monday, April 27. To expedite the project and in the interest of public safety, the Lee County Department of Transportation will allow the contractor to close the outside northbound lane on Three Oaks during the excavation. The lane will reopen by June 5th. Work is expected to be complete by the end of June.

For questions relating to this project, contact Steven Farah or Anura Karuna-Muni with Lee County Natural Resources at 239-533-8109.

4. Landscaping

North River Road & SR-31: Lee County DOT will be trimming trees for height clearance on North River Road from SR-31 to the Hendry County line. This work should begin June 8th and be complete by June 30th. Motorists are advised to use caution as there may be traffic delays and lane closures in this area while work is performed. DOT will provide the MOT (Maintenance of Traffic) and if you have questions relating to this project, contact DOT Operations at 239-533-9400.