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# **ROAD WATCH UPDATE** September 20 – September 26, 2018

**Gunnery Road median to be extended in Lehigh Acres:** Drivers are encouraged to use extra caution in Lehigh Acres as the Lee County Department of Transportation begins work Thursday, Sept. 20, to extend the Gunnery Road median further north from Lee Boulevard.

The work will extend the median about 50 feet north of Fifth Street West to close the intersection to all left turns. The intersection has been the site of 17 crashes in the past two years involving vehicles making left turns.

The project is expected to be complete by Sept. 27. Signs will be posted notifying motorists of the work. Please call 239-533-8578 with project-related questions.

**Midpoint Bridge/Colonial Boulevard**: Lee County DOT will replace existing street light fixtures with new LED fixtures on the Midpoint Bridge/Colonial Boulevard east and westbound from Del Prado Boulevard to Soloman on Saturday, September 22 and Monday, September 24. Motorists should use caution, as there will be intermittent lane closures while crews work from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For further information, please call Mike Padgett at 239-533-9500.

**Six Mile Cypress Parkway & Metro Parkway**: Lee County DOT along with a contractor will be making intersection improvements on Six Mile Cypress at Metro Parkway starting September 18, 2018. The project will include daytime lane closures east bound on Six Mile Cypress from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Motorists should use caution when traveling in this area. The project is expected to be completed by February 1, 2019.

For further information, please call D.J. Padgett at 239-533-9300 or Lee Werst at 239-533-8580.

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**RPM Replacement Project (raised pavement markers) -** Contractors for Lee County will be performing a moving operation with traffic delays (*weather permitting*) beginning **September 20, 2018 thru September 26, 2018 between** the hours of **7 p.m. to 6 a.m.** on the following roadways:

- ✓ Summerlin Road from McGregor Blvd. to Bass Rd.
- ✓ Bonita Beach Road from County Line (Radio Tower Rd) to Hickory Blvd
- ✓ Pondella Road from Pine Island Road to Moody Rd
- ✓ Hancock Bridge Parkway from Del Prado Blvd to N Cleveland Avenue
- ✓ Sanibel Causeway from Causeway Blvd (End of Last Bridge) to Sanibel Toll Plaza
- ✓ Pine Island Road from Stringfellow Road to Burnt Store Road
- ✓ Captiva Drive from Blind Pass Bridge to North End Beach Access

For further questions, please call Dan Vasiloff at 239-533-9500.

**Striping Maintenance:** Lee County DOT will be performing a moving operation with traffic delays on **9-20-18 through 9-26-18** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (weather permitting) on the following roadways:

Gasparilla Road	McGregor Boulevard
Gulf Boulevard	Summerlin Road

**Intersection Markings:** Intermittent lane closures and delays are possible on **9-20-18 through 9-26-18** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (weather permitting) on the following roadways:

Ben Hill Griffin Parkway	Gladiolus Drive
Estero Boulevard @ Crescent Street	Treeline Avenue (excluding section from
	Colonial Blvd to Pelican Preserve)

**Night work scheduled for Thursday 9-20-18:** Lee County DOT Traffic will be installing Quick Kurb (weather permitting) between the hours of 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. on Gunnery Road @ 5<sup>th</sup> Street W. with delays possible.

If you have any questions, please call Randy Hart at 239-533-9500.

**Traffic Signal Work:** Lee County DOT will perform traffic signal work at Pine Island Road and Judd Creek on September 26, 2018 from from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Motorists should use caution at this intersection, as the signal will be off. The Lee County Sheriff's Office will assist in traffic control. For further information, please call Efrain Cruz at 239-533-9500.

## 1. Road Work/Maintenance/Improvements:

**ATMS Phase 2 Project – Advanced Traffic Management System:** SICE/Y-COM/C&E (Systems Integration Technology Company) will be working in different locations doing directional bores, forming and pouring concrete for boxes, for the ATMS System.

#### 9/24/18 through 9/28/18

SICE/Y-COM will be working on **Bonita Beach Road , Palm Beach, Hancock Bridge Parkway and Bayshore** Road doing directional bores, setting boxes and proofing conduit.

SICE/Y-COM/Dynastar will continue the directional bores and setting boxes on Chiquita Blvd.

SICE/Y-COM/Underground Pros will continue working on McGregor Blvd.

SICE will be working on aboveground conduit on **Pine Island Rd**.

The work will start at 7:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. approximately through the week. For further questions, please call Keith Lightner 786-682-2999.

**Burnt Store Road from Diplomat Parkway to Tropicana Parkway: Construction Project:** This project consists of the initial widening of Burnt Store Road to four lanes. The project also includes installation of conduits under the road for the City of Cape Coral. Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures during nighttime/overnight hours, weather permitting.

Beginning Sunday, September 9, Burnt Store Road will have one lane closed from NW 5th Terrace to Tropicana Parkway for nighttime/overnight work from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. Flagmen will be directing traffic. The lane closure will be in place for approximately two weeks.

This middle segment from Diplomat Parkway to Tropicana Parkway costs \$6.7 million and the City of Cape Coral's utility conduits are \$550,000. The contractor is Wright Construction. The project is expected to be completed in fall 2019. For further questions, please contact Lisa Macias at 239-337-1071.

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**Earl Road Sidewalk**: Lee County DOT along with a contractor will be making improvements on Earl Road. This will include drainage upgrades and new concrete sidewalk. The project will begin the week of September 4 and is expected to be completed November 15, 2018. Trucks and heavy equipment will be entering / exiting the roadway periodically in this area. Motorists and pedestrians are urged to use caution while in the area.

**Estero Boulevard at Estero Cove Condo Association:** BC Underground will be installing a sanitary sewer manhole to service the Estero Cove Condominiums at 6891 Estero Blvd. Work will require lane shifts and detouring of pedestrian traffic between Lenell Rd and the Wyndham Garden Hotel. Work is scheduled to start on Monday, September 17, 2018 and is expected to last approximately 2 weeks. Motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians should use caution while traveling in this area.

For further information, please call Henry Radle at 941-626-8877 or the Department of Transportation/ Engineering at 239-533-9300.

## Lee County RWA – Week of September 24, 2018 Estero Boulevard Construction – reFRESH Estero Boulevard/Waterlines – Lovers Lane to Albatross Street.

Contractors for Fort Myers Beach and Lee County are installing new water main, and sanitary sewer force main, storm drainage, sidewalk and rebuilding roadway on Estero Boulevard from Lovers Lane to Albatross Street. <u>Motorists may experience daytime and nighttime intermittent one-lane traffic on Estero Boulevard</u>. <u>Flaggers will alternate traffic frequently, but motorists should expect delays</u>. Crews are expected to work Monday through Friday and most Saturdays.

#### Segment 2 - Lovers Lane to Strandview Avenue:

Lovers Lane to Donora Boulevard – Beginning Thursday, September 27, the center lane will close, and crews will shift northbound traffic to the bay side from Lovers Lane to just south of Donora Boulevard.

#### South of Donora Boulevard to Bay Mar Drive

Northbound traffic has been shifted to the bay side from south of Donora Boulevard to Bay Mar Drive. The barrier wall has been installed in the center lane while crew's mill, excavate, and install the center lane drainage system.

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Barrier wall separates the northbound and southbound lanes. Motorists should expect to make U-turns when accessing properties on the opposite side of the road from the travel lane. Motorists exiting side streets between Voorhis Street and Bay Mar Drive must make right turns onto Estero Boulevard and then make a U-turn.

Bay Mar Drive to Strandview Avenue - Northbound traffic is shifted to the center lane.

## Segment 3 and 4 – Strandview Avenue to Albatross Street:

<u>Strandview Avenue to Flamingo Street</u> – Northbound traffic is shifted to the center lane.

For further questions, please contact Cella Molnar & Associates at 239-337-1071.

## Homestead Road from south of Sunrise Boulevard to north of Alabama Road:

**Construction Project:** This project consists of widening Homestead Road to four lanes. This work will also improve drainage and install new underground utilities. A six-foot sidewalk will be constructed on both sides of the roadway. Motorists should expect lane closures during daytime hours. Project cost is \$14.4 million. The contractor is Stevens and Layton, Inc. The project is expected to be **complete by the end of 2019**.

- Adams Avenue at Homestead Road will be closed from Monday, September 17 thorough Monday, October 1. Motorists should follow the detour route.
- Sidewalk access in front of Veterans Park is closed to pedestrians and bicyclists.

For further questions, contact Lisa Macias, Cella Molnar & Associates at 239-337-1071.

Orange Grove Blvd from Pondella Road to Hancock Bridge Parkway Water Main Construction Project: As part of Lee County Utilities' Capital Improvement Projects, crews will be installing a new water main along the east side of Orange Grove Blvd. from Pondella Road south to Hancock Bridge Parkway. Construction is anticipated to start September 24th and take a maximum of 360 days to complete. This project may include temporary lane closures and disruptions at intersection during roadway and driveway crossings. Please use caution when traveling in this area.

For further questions, please contact Elaine Capps, Project Manager at 239-533-8181.

**SR 82 from Alabama Road to the Lee/Hendry County line:** Florida Department of Transportation Construction Project: Crews will be widening SR 82 to four lanes from Alabama Road to the Lee/Hendry County line.

**Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound and westbound lane closures on SR 82 during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m., Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather permitting.** Additional work includes construction of a median separating two 12-foot travel lanes in each direction, 6.5-foot inside paved shoulders, bike lanes, a 5-foot sidewalk on the north side and a 10-foot shared-use path on the south side. The project will also add a grass median and LED lighting throughout this segment. The expected completion date is end of 2020. The Contractor is Sacyr Construction.

SR 82 from Lee Boulevard/Colonial Boulevard to Shawnee Road: Florida Department of Transportation Construction Project: Crews will be widening SR 82 to six lanes from east of Lee Boulevard to Shawnee Road. <u>Motorists should expect intermittent eastbound</u> <u>and westbound lane closures on SR 82 during nighttime/overnight hours from 7 p.m.</u> to 6 a.m., Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather <u>permitting.</u>

- Griffin Drive at SR 82 will be closed TEMPORARILY from 2 a.m. Monday, September 10 to 5 a.m. Monday, September 24.
- Wallace Avenue will be closed TEMPORARILY from Wednesday, August 8 to Friday, December 28.
- Meadow Road at Gunnery Road is PERMANENTLY closed.
- Meadow Road at the Haddock Canal will be closed TEMPORARILY from Wednesday, August 22 to Monday, October 1.
- A temporary traffic signal has been installed at the intersection of Ray Avenue South and Griffin Drive. Motorists should use caution while driving in this area.

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**Three Oaks Parkway**: Lee County DOT will perform ditch maintenance on Three Oaks Parkway southbound from Estero Parkway beginning September 24, and finish by September 27, from 9 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Lee County will provide the MOT (maintenance of traffic) and motorists should use caution in the work zone area. For further information, please call Gary Slusar at 239-533-9400.

## 2. Bridge Maintenance:

**Burnt Store Road Bridges #120036 & #120034**: Lee County DOT will be performing bridge maintenance on Burnt Store Road Bridge #120036 and #120034 between Gulfstream Parkway and Tropicana Parkway starting September 17 and finish by September 27, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (*Work will be done Monday through Friday*)

**Big Carlos Bridge #120028**: Lee County DOT Operations will be performing bridge maintenance at Big Carlos Bridge. The work will start July 30 and finish September 28, from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., weather permitting. There will be lane closures with flaggers on hand in the work zone.

**Big Carlos Pass Bridge Sidewalk Maintenance**: Lee County DOT will perform sidewalk maintenance on the west side of the Big Carlos Pass Bridge starting August 27 through January 18, 2019. During this project, there will be sidewalk closures on the west side of the bridge and possible road closures.

**Cyrstal Drive Bridge #124053**: Lee County DOT will be performing bridge maintenance on the Crystal Drive Bridge #124053 over the 10 Mile canal on September 20 and September 27 from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m. Motorists should use caution, as there will be a single lane closure, with flaggers on hand in the work zone.

For further information regarding these bridge projects, please contact Carlos Hernandez at 239-533-9400.

## 3. Landscaping Projects:

Tree removals: Lee County landscape crews will be removing dead trees at:

- Palm Beach Blvd. at New York
- US 41 between Gladiolus Dr. and the Village of Estero northern City Limit
- Gladiolus Dr. between US 41 and Maida Ln.

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**Bonita Beach Road**: Lee County landscape contractors with be replacing trees and shrubs along Bonita Beach Road beginning September 17. The work is scheduled to be completed by September 28.

Motorists should use caution as intermittent lane closures may exist and while crews work in the work zone on the above landscaping projects. For further information on these landscaping projects, please call Bob DeBrock at 239-533-9425.