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Roadwatch Update
May 16 – May 22, 2019

**Airport Haul Road - Water Main Installation:** Gulf Coast Underground will be installing an underground 12" Water Main across Airport Haul Road beginning May 21 through May 23, 2019. Crews will begin work at 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day until the project is complete and motorists should use caution, as there will be lane closures in this area. For Further information, please contact Brian Sites, Gulf Coast Underground at 239-274-9504.

**Big Carlos Draw Bridge**: Lee County DOT and Signals will be performing emergency electrical repair on Big Carlos Draw Bridge # 120028 on Estero Boulevard at Fort Myers Beach . The work is scheduled for one day, May 16, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Motorists should use caution, as there will be lane closures controlled by flagging operation for traffic. For further questions, please call Carlos Hernandez at 239-533-9400.

Gunnery Road and 8th Street SW - A contractor for Lee County DOT will have lane closures periodically at the intersection of Gunnery Road and 8th Street SW starting Monday, May 20th to August 1st from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crews will be working in the north and south bound thru lane of Gunnery Road and the eastbound/westbound lanes of 8th Street SW from Gunnery Road to Floyd Ave South. Gunnery Road to Gretchen Ave South will be closed to traffic until the widening of 8th Street SW is complete. Motorists should use caution, as there will be lane closures and flagmen working in the work zone. Lane closures for this intersection will be ongoing from May 20th to August 1st, 2019 of this year. For further questions, please call Jeremy Norvell at 239-533-9321 or Dirk Danley at 239-533-9305.

Landscaping – Orange Grove Boulevard and Hancock Bridge Parkway: Lee County DOT will be trimming trees on Orange Grove Boulevard between Seafan Circle and Hancock Bridge Parkway and on Hancock Bridge Parkway between Orange Grove Boulevard and U.S. 41 beginning Monday, May 27, 2019. Motorists should use caution, as there will be workers and equipment present in the work zone and lane closures. The project should be complete by June 7, 2019. For further questions, please call Bob DeBrock at 239-533-9400.

**Pondella Road & Old U.S. 41 – intersection/roadway improvements**: A contractor along with Lee County DOT will be making roadway improvements at the intersection of Pondella Road and Old U.S. 41 starting Sunday, May19 through June 2, 2019. Motorists should use caution, as there will be lane closures in the work zone from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. The Lee County Sheriff's Office will be present in the area. For further questions, please call Dirk Danley at 239-533-9305.

**DOT Traffic ITS work on Summerlin Road & College Parkway**: Lee County DOT Traffic ITS will close the left southbound lane of the overpass at Summerlin Road and College Parkway at 10 a.m. on May 22, 2019. Work crews will replace the mounting bracket and arm supporting one of the traffic cameras as the current installation is blocking the view from the Traffic Operations Center. Repairs should take approximately one hour to complete.

For further questions, please call Jed Mason, Traffic ITS at 239-533-9500.

**Striping Maintenance:** Lee County DOT will be performing a moving operation with traffic delays on **5-16-19 through 5-22-19** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (weather permitting) on the following roadways:

Brantley Road	Park Meadows Drive
Crystal Drive	South Pointe Blvd.
Gasparilla Drive & Gulf Blvd.	South Road
Learning Court	Whiskey Creek Drive
Matthew Drive (Summerlin Road to Sunrise	Winkler Road
Drive)	

**Intersection Markings:** Intermittent lane closures and delays are possible on **5-16-19 through 5-22-19** between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (weather permitting) on the following roadways:

Atlantic Avenue	Pacific Avenue
Lee Blvd.	Suncoast Estates Area

**Night Work Scheduled:** Lee County DOT Traffic will be revising the pavement markings at the intersection of Paul J Doherty Pkwy @ Daniels Pkwy on Thursday, **5-16-19 between** the hours of 7:00 p.m. to 3:00 a.m. (weather permitting). Intermittent lane closures and delays are expected for all directions of travel.

For further information regarding the projects above, please call Randy Hart at 239-533-9500.

**RPM Replacement Project (raised pavement markers) -** Contractors for Lee County will be performing a moving operation with traffic delays (*weather permitting*) **5-16-19 through 5-22-19** on the following roadways:

12<sup>th</sup> ST W from Gunnery Road to Sunshine Boulevard Alabama Road from SR 82 to Homestead Road Leeland Heights Boulevard from Joel Boulevard to Homestead Road Richmond Avenue from Greenbriar Boulevard to Sunrise Boulevard Williams Avenue from W 17 Street to Lee Boulevard W 12<sup>th</sup> Street from Joel Boulevard to Sunshine Boulevard

For further information regarding the RPM replacement project, please call Dan Vasiloff at 239-533-9500.

**Upcoming Traffic Signal Work – Six Mile Cypress/Ben C. Pratt/Home Depot - May 22, 2019**: Lee County DOT will be working on the traffic signal at Six Mile Cypress Parkway/Ben C. Pratt and Home Depot/Walmart driveway (1 block east of U.S. 41) on May 22, 2019 **from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.** Motorists should use caution, as the signal will be off. The Lee County Sheriff's Office will assist in directing traffic. For further questions, please call Efrain Cruz at 239-533-9500.

# Traffic Signal Work -

**College Parkway & Winkler - South Pointe:** Florida Safety Contractors will be working for Lee County DOT Traffic by installing drilled shafts for new mast arms for the traffic signals at College Parkway and Winkler and South Pointe on May 7 through May 17, 2019. Motorists can expect intermittent lane closures from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Listed below is a schedule of lane closures.

- Tuesday, May 7: lane closures on WB College Pkwy outside through lane on the West side of Winkler Rd also Winkler Rd SB through/right lane on the North side of College Pkwy from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Wednesday, May 8: Iane closures on WB College Pkwy right turn lane on the East side of Winkler Road, Winkler Road NB right lane on the North side of College Pkwy from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Thursday, May 9: lane closures on WB College Pkwy right turn lane on the East side of South Pointe Blvd. from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Friday, May 10: lane closures on WB College Pkwy outside through lane on the West side of South Pointe Blvd also South Pointe Blvd SB outside through lane on the South side of College Pkwy from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Monday, May 13: lane closures on EB College Pkwy outside through lane on the East side of South Pointe Blvd also South Pointe Blvd NB through/right lane on the South side of College Pkwy from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Tuesday, May 14: lane closures on EB College Pkwy outside through lane on the West side of Winkler Rd also Winkler Rd SB outside through lane on the South side of College Pkwy from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Wednesday, May 15: lane closures on EB College Pkwy outside through lane on the East side of Winkler Rd from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Thursday, May 16: lane closures on WB College Pkwy outside through lane on the West side of South Pointe Blvd also South Pointe Blvd SB through/right lane on the North side of College Pkwy from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.

For further information, please contact Mike Padgett at (239) 533-9514.

# 1. Road Work/Maintenance/Improvements:

Alico Road Widening from Ben Hill Griffin Parkway to west of Airport Haul Road: Construction Project: This project consists of widening Alico Road to four lanes. The project also includes medians and multi-use paths.

- Expect intermittent lane closures on Alico Road on Saturday, May 18th and Sunday, May 20th.
- Expect large vehicles entering and exiting Alico Road. Motorists should use caution in the area.

The contractor is Tomahawk Construction. The project cost is \$18 million. The project is expected to be completed by late spring 2021. For further questions, please contact Kris Cella at 239-337-1071.

**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.

5/20/19 through 5/24/19.

SICE/Y-COM will be installing boxes and concrete on Winkler Road.

SICE/Y-COM/Dynastar will continue the directional bores on Fowler.

SICE/ WIDE RANGE will be installing fiber on Metro Parkway.

SICE/STI, will be installing CCTV concrete poles on **Palm Beach Boulevard and Ortiz Avenue** (turn right lane closure required on the westbound) and on **Hancock Bridge Parkway and Moody Road.** 

SICE will installing aerial cable at the **Ranger Station and Palm Beach Boulevard**.

SICE will installing MVDS cable and devices at several locations.

SICE will installing UPS at several locations.

The work will start at 7:30 am and continue until 5:00 p.m. through the week. For further questions, please call Keith Lightner at 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.

- Crews are working on the shoulders in segments throughout the project. The speed limit is reduced to 35 mph when each segment is under construction.
- Motorists should expect traffic shifts throughout the duration of the project.

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.

**Del Prado Boulevard Sidewalk Improvements – Milling & Paving**: A contractor for Lee County DOT will be making sidewalks repairs and ADA improvements starting **April 29 through May 22, 2019** from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Del Prado Boulevard from Veterans Parkway Overpass north to Coral Point Drive. Motorists should use caution, as there will be possible lane closures in the work zone.

Nighttime milling and paving work will begin on Del Prado Boulevard from Veterans Parkway to Coral Point Drive starting **April 29, 2019 through May 22, 2019 between the hours of 7 p.m. to 6 a.m.** There will be possible lane closures and uneven pavement in the work area. For further information, please call Dirk Danley at 239-533-9305 or Jeremy Norvell at 239-533-9321.

# Lee County RWA – May 15, 2019

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. Flaggers will alternate traffic frequently, but motorists should expect delays.</u> Motorists may experience momentary delays while crews move materials for the construction activities. Crews are expected to work Monday through Friday and most Saturdays.

<u>Lovers Lane to Gulfview Avenue</u> – Southbound traffic is currently shifted to the center lane.

• Lovers Lane to Voorhis Street - Crews are preparing to shift the traffic beach side and close the northbound lane.

<u>Gulfview Avenue to Bayland Road</u> – Center lane is currently closed while crews install the center lane drainage system.

- Barrier wall or barrels will separate 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 Gulfview Avenue and Bayland Road must make right turns onto Estero Boulevard and then make a U-turn.
- Motorist will find an opening at the following Estero Boulevard location:
  - o Sanders Drive (Publix) vehicle and pedestrian crossing

<u>Madera Road to Lanark Avenue</u> - North and south bound traffic is shifted to the beach side while crews work on the bay side.

• Madera Road to Lazy Way - Intermittent lane shifts will be necessary while crews make individual water connections on the beach side.

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

**Gunnery Road & Sunset Road:** Lee County DOT will perform drainage maintenance in the Gunnery Road and Sunset Road area starting **May 7 through May 18, 2019.** Motorists should use caution, as there will be intermittent lane closures and flaggers on hand to control traffic in the work zone. For further questions, please call Gary Slusar at 239-533-9400.

**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 early 2020**.

• Motorists should expect traffic shifts on Leeland Heights at Homestead Road through Friday, June 28.

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

**Lehigh Acres Municipal Service Improvement District (LA-MSID) Projects: Hull Ave S Road Closure/Detour** - Lehigh Acres Municipal Service Improvement District (LA-MSID) will be replacing culvert pipes across **Hull Ave S** in Lehigh Acres.

• Hull Ave S will be closed between Dove Ave S & Green St E beginning May 7th, 2019. A detour will be posted. Work is expected to be completed by May 27, 2019.

For further questions, please contact LA-MSID at 239-368-0044.

Orange Grove Boulevard 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 Boulevard from Pondella Road south to Hancock Bridge Parkway. Construction is underway and will take a maximum of 360 days to complete. This project may include temporary lane closures and disruptions at intersections 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.

<u>Palomino Lane</u>: Lee County DOT will be constructing a bike path along Palomino Lane. Work will begin **Wednesday**, **January 23**, **2019**; the project is expected to be completed **October 2019**. There will be intermittent daytime lane closures between 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

If you have any questions, contact Lee Werst at 239-533-8591.

**SR 82 from Lee Boulevard/Colonial Boulevard to Shawnee Road:** Florida Department of Transportation construction project: Crews are widening SR 82 to six lanes from east of Lee Boulevard to Shawnee Road.

- 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.
- Meadow Road at Gunnery Road is PERMANENTLY closed.
- 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.

Additional work includes construction of a median separating three 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 project also includes constructing Florida's first Continuous Flow Intersection (CFI) at the intersection of SR 82 at Daniels Parkway/Gunnery Road. The CFI will ease traffic congestion at the intersection and include multiple signals to reduce turning delays. The expected completion date is end of summer of 2019. The Contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

**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.
- Motorists should expect Meadow Road closed from Aletha Avenue to Hedgewood Street through Friday, May 24.
- Motorists should expect Kalamar Drive closed through Friday, May 31.

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.

Summerlin/Cypress Lake: Lee County DOT along with Community Asphalt will be making improvements to the intersection of Summerlin Road/Cypress Lake Drive. The project will begin on May 13, 2019 and is expected to be completed by the end of July. The project will include temporary closures of turn lanes and daytime intermittent lane closures on Cypress Lake Drive from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The project will also include nighttime lane closures from 7 p.m. to 6 a.m. during the paving operation. Detours will be posted for pedestrian traffic. Motorists and pedestrians should use extra caution in this area during construction. For further information, please call DJ Padgett or Lee Werst at 239-533-9300.

**Summerlin Road & Winkler**: Lee County DOT along with a contractor will be making improvements to the intersection at Summerlin Road and Winkler Road. Work is scheduled to begin On Monday, January 7, 2019 and **be completed by the end of July**. The project will include night operations with intermittent lane closures (7 pm-6 am) periodically during construction on both Summerlin and Winkler Roads. Daytime work will be performed without impacting lanes, but motorists / pedestrians are urged to use extra caution in the work zone. For further questions, please call 239-533-9300.

US 41/Cleveland Avenue from Winkler Avenue to SR 82/Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard: Construction project: Crews will be installing and relocating utilities and constructing medians on US 41/Cleveland Avenue from Winkler Avenue to SR 82.

- Motorists should expect intermittent northbound and southbound lane closures and detours on US 41/Cleveland Avenue during daytime and nighttime/overnight hours Monday through Friday throughout the duration of the project, weather permitting.
- Motorists should expect a new traffic pattern on southbound on US
   41/Cleveland Avenue from Winkler Avenue to south of Halgrim Avenue.
   Traffic is shifted to the east and the outside travel lane on the west side of Cleveland Avenue is closed.
- Motorists should expect the northbound and southbound, outside lanes closed on US 41/Cleveland Avenue from Linhart Avenue to Carrell Road on Monday, May 20th through Friday, May 25th.
- Motorists should expect Jefferson Avenue closed at US 41/Cleveland Avenue beginning on Monday, May 20<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, May 26<sup>th</sup> while crews install water main pipe across Jefferson Avenue.
- Motorists should expect side road closures from Winkler Avenue to Victoria Avenue throughout the duration of the project.

Additional work includes installing drainage structures, pedestrian signals, upgrading signals and lighting, and resurfacing existing highway. The project will be constructed in three segments. Each segment will have the majority of construction completed prior to moving to the next segment. Construction will begin on the first segment from Winkler Avenue to Carrell Road. Crews will work on the west side of the road initially and when that work is completed, they will shift to the east side of Cleveland Avenue/US 41. The

expected project completion date is the end of spring 2022. The Contractor is Ajax Paving Industries of Florida, LLC.

# Lee County RWA – April 18, 2019

Lee County Utilities – US 41 Transmission Mains from South Airport Road to Trailwinds Drive. Contractors for Lee County Utilities are installing new water and sewer mains on the east side of US 41 from South Airport Road to Trailwinds Drive.

Some turn lanes, driveways and intersections may be temporarily closed. Businesses and residences will have access throughout the project.

Crews will work near the roadway. Some sidewalk may be closed on the east side of US 41. Drivers and pedestrians should use caution. The project is expected to be completed in January 2020. This schedule may be subject to change due to inclement weather and unforeseen underground conditions. For more information about this project, contact Cella Molnar & Associates, Inc. at 239-337-1071.

# 2. Landscaping Maintenance

Landscaping – Boca Grande: Lee County will be doing landscape maintenance activities on 5<sup>th</sup> St W. between Gasparilla Road and Gilchrist Avenue and on Gilchrist Avenue between 5<sup>th</sup> St. W. and just south of 1<sup>st</sup> St. W. beginning Monday, April 22, 2019. Work should be completed by May 24, 2019. There may be temporary lane closures and motorists should use caution, as equipment and workers will be present in the work zone. For further information, please call Bob DeBrock at 239-533-9425.

Landscaping – Hickory Boulevard: Lee County DOT will be trimming trees on Bonita Beach Road, on Little Hickory Island and on all of Hickory Boulevard beginning Monday, April 29, 2019 and should complete by May 24, 2019. There may be temporary lane closures and motorists should use caution, as equipment, and workers will be present in the work zone.

For further information, please call Bob DeBrock at 239-533-9425.

# 3. Bridge Maintenance

- Lee County DOT will be making repairs to the bridge deck joints on *College Parkway over the McGregor Boulevard overpass* on May 30<sup>th</sup> and May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. There will be single lane closures while crews work from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m.
- Crews will begin making repairs on the *Cape Coral Bridge* on Thursday nights starting June 6<sup>th</sup>, June 13, June 20 and June 27, 2019. There will be single lane closures while crews work from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m.

For further information regarding bridge maintenance, please call Carlos Hernandez at 239-533-9400.

**Bridge Maintenance**: Lee County DOT will perform bridge maintenance at the following bridge locations:

- Bridge #124026 located on Orange River Boulevard west of Buckingham Road starting April 30 through May 16, 2019 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.
- Bridge #124025 located on Buckingham Road starting May 6 through May 23, 2019 from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., weather permitting.

Motorists should use caution, as there will be lane closures and flaggers in the work zones at both bridge locations. For further questions, please call Carlos Hernandez at 239-533-9429.

Cape Coral Bridge Corridor & Midpoint Bridge Corridor: Lee County DOT is currently performing maintenance work on the Cape Coral Bridge corridor and on the Midpoint Bridge corridor, which started December 3, 2018 and should be completed by May 30, 2019. Beginning May 11, lane closures may occur seven days a week. Message Boards have been updated. Motorists should use caution, as there will be sporadic lane closures during daytime and nighttime hours.

For further information, please call Avelino Cancel at 239-533-9400.

**Malaga Canal**: Starting on June 10, 2019, Lee County DOT will be performing erosion countermeasures on the Malaga Canal under Del Prado Boulevard Bridge. This project will require divers working underwater to perform channel maintenance. Turbidity curtains will be installed to prevent the sediments from escaping the work area; please be advised that for each opening to boat traffic the curtains will have to be removed to allow them to pass.

Marine traffic will be restricted Monday to Friday from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. and only allow boaters to pass every hour on the hour, in case of congestion Lee County will make adjustments to the schedule if necessary. This project should be completed by August 29, 2019.

For further information, please call Avelino Cancel, 239-533-9400.

Routine bridge inspection slated for Sanibel Causeway starting May 6<sup>th</sup> – Lee County Department of Transportation consultant T.Y. Lin International will perform planned bridge inspections on the three Sanibel Causeway bridges as part of a routine monitoring program established in 2013. Work is anticipated to begin Monday, May 6, and be complete by summer, weather permitting.

No lane closures are anticipated. Workers will be on the bridges' shoulders 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. Motorists will navigate slight lane shifts with minor traffic disruptions during the daily set up and breakdown of equipment. Lee DOT will place variable message signs to alert drivers. For questions, please call Avelino Cancel at 239-533-9400.