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Lee County reminds motorists that tolls will resume on Sanibel Causeway on Jan. 1

Fort Myers, FL, Dec. 28, 2022 – As previously announced, Lee County will resume normal toll operations on the Sanibel Causeway at 6 a.m. Sunday, Jan. 1.

The county restored tolls to the Cape Coral Bridge and the Midpoint Bridge in November following the suspension of tolls on all three bridges shortly before Hurricane Ian's landfall Sept. 28. The addition of the Sanibel Causeway, which was announced Dec. 1, completes the restoration.

The causeway, which received extensive damage during the storm, reopened Oct. 19. The City of Sanibel has announced it will end the requirement for reentry passes on Jan. 2. However, the City's curfew will remain in effect between the hours of 9 p.m. and 6 a.m. daily. A police checkpoint will be in place during the curfew hours. For more information, visit mysanibel.com.

The county's toll program – called LeeWay – will honor its discount programs for Sanibel residents who had them prior to the storm through Jan. 31. Sanibel-based LeeWay customers are asked to renew their programs for 2023 now. Typically, the annual renewal process takes place in October. Sanibel residents with power and internet access can renew online at www.leegov.com/tolls. A phone line for renewal also is available at 239-533-9297. LeeWay is emailing Sanibel program participants this month.

Contractors who are doing work on Sanibel should visit the website to obtain a free LeeWay transponder and to deposit funds into an account to avoid paying the \$3 administrative fee that is applied to those without transponders. Transponders from other entities, such as SunPass and E-ZPass, also work. Visit www.leegov.com/tolls for a complete list. All three county toll bridges are all-electronic; no cash is accepted.

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