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Road closures will disrupt traffic after the holiday

Several road projects are scheduled to start after the holiday weekend.

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Several expressway and roadway closures will disrupt traffic in Miami-Dade and Broward Counties after the Fourth of July holiday.

Starting Tuesday, North Miami Avenue is scheduled to be closed continuously between NW 36th Street and NW 38th Street through August for bridge widening work. In addition, the North Miami Avenue eastbound exit ramp from State Road 112/Interstate 195 will be closed at night from July 18 to Aug. 1, between 9 p.m. and 5:30 a.m., Monday through Thursday; between 12 a.m. and 9 a.m., Saturday and between 12 a.m. and 10 a.m., Sunday.

Also, all southbound lanes on Florida's Turnpike will close from 11 p.m. Wednesday through 5 a.m. Thursday between the Bird Road/Southwest 40th Street and Kendall Drive/Southwest 88th Street interchanges in Miami-Dade County. The closure is needed so workers can install an electronic sign over the traffic lanes and for construction related to an electronic tolling project currently underway in the area.

In Broward, meanwhile, workers along the Interstate 595 reconstruction project area will close two ramps for about 135 days beginning Tuesday at 10 p.m.

The ramps to be closed include the one from westbound State Road 84 to westbound I-595 west of Pine Island Road and the one from westbound I-595 to westbound State Road 84 at Nob Hill Road.

The closures are part of the ongoing \$1.8-billion reconstruction of I-595. The centerpiece of the project is construction of reversible toll lanes in the median of I-595.

Separately, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) office in Miami plans to hold a public information meeting about a roadway project on Southwest 107th Avenue from north of Killian Parkway to south of Kendall Drive from 6 to 8 p.m. on July 12 at the Dave and Mary Alpert Jewish Community Center, Building #3 – Rotunda, 11155 SW 112 Ave.

The meeting will be from 6 to 8 p.m and graphic displays of the project will be shown and FDOT staff will be on hand to answer questions.

Proposed work includes repaving the road; widening the east side of Southwest 107th Avenue, upgrading existing signs and pavement markings and reconstructing existing pedestrian ramps.

