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## TREASURE ISLAND CAUSEWAY DRAWBRIDGE CLOSED JULY 7<sup>th</sup>

**TREASURE ISLAND (July 5, 2005) - Another all-day concrete pour for the new Treasure Island Causeway Drawbridge will require the temporary closure of the Treasure Island Causeway Bridge on Thursday, July 7<sup>th</sup> from 8:30am to 7pm.**

**As in previous closures, westbound traffic will be detoured at 79th Avenue on Causeway Isles to Causeway Boulevard North or South. Eastbound causeway traffic will be detoured at Paradise Boulevard, except for local traffic to the Treasure Island Yacht Club. Detour routes to and from Treasure Island are the Madeira Beach Causeway to the north and the Corey Causeway in St. Pete Beach to the south.**

**Treasure Island Public Works Director Don Hambidge said Thursday's concrete pour will add a 7-foot thick slab atop the 50 by 55 foot base on which the new causeway bridge tender housing will be constructed. Hambidge said Thursday's pour, utilizing approximately 75 cement trucks, "will deliver 730 cubic yards of concrete, enough concrete to cover the first floor of a 2500 square-foot home." This pour will be the last of the major pours for the north half of the new Treasure Island Causeway Bridge.**

**The bridge will be operational for boats that need an opening. A recent Coast Guard ruling changed the Treasure Island Causeway bridge opening times from four times an hour to three times an hour. The new opening times are at :20 past, :40 past and at the top of the hour, between the hours of 7am and 7pm. The bridge will open on demand from 7pm to 7am.**