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TI causeway bridge to close for 4 days

Systems testing and the last big construction push towards four lanes of traffic requires closure from July 23rd to July 27th

The Treasure Island Causeway Bridge will be closed for four days beginning **Monday, July 23, 2007 at 9am** as construction on the new causeway bridge heads into the home stretch. The bridge will reopen to traffic on **Friday, July 27th at 6am**.

Treasure Island Public Works Director Don Hambidge said "both the north and south bridges will be operational after the four day closure, but will most likely be subject to single lane closures" for other construction related work. "Part of the work done during the four-day closure will be removal of the concrete barricades, paving the bridge approaches, roadway striping and testing of the traffic gates," said Hambidge.

Additional closure time may be necessary during the week of July 30th. Given the nature of the functional check-out testing, additional bridge closing dates cannot be determined at this time. Closing notifications will be sent to subscribers of Treasure Island's e-notification system. Motorists should pay close attention to the Causeway Message Boards and Treasure Island residents can see closure information on TITV15. The City of Treasure Island web site also has current closure information.

Opening ribbon-cutting ceremonies are Saturday, August 25, 2007 at 10am at the east end (the St. Petersburg side) of the bridge. More details coming in the next few weeks as celebration plans are finalized.

Notice to Mariners

Construction work at the Treasure Island Causeway Bridge will affect the accessibility of the channel to boaters. The **navigation channel at the Treasure Island Causeway Bridge is currently open at half-width**.

Mariners requesting information on the status of channel accessibility can call the Treasure Island Causeway Bridge Tender Control Room on channel 9.

Detour routes

Westbound traffic on the Treasure Island Causeway will be turned back at 79th Street to Causeway Boulevard North or South. Eastbound causeway traffic will detour at 104th Avenue, except for local traffic to the Treasure Island Yacht Club and Paradise Boulevard. Detour routes to and from Treasure Island during the bridge closure are the Madeira Beach Causeway to the north and the Corey Causeway in St. Pete Beach to the south.

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Go to www.mytreasureisland.org and click on e*ti to subscribe to Treasure Island's email bridge closure notification service. Bridge and channel closures are posted at www.mytreasureisland.org. For Treasure Island residents, the latest bridge closure information is available on TITV15 (Bighthouse Cable Channel 15).