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Each week, *The Blade's Road Warrior* highlights the major construction projects in Toledo and the surrounding area, noting where delays are worst and suggesting alternate routes.

The Polish Village Overpass, amid the Stickney-Lagrange interchange in North Toledo, is expected to close Monday for reconstruction.

It'll be shut down for two weeks, so anyone wishing to reach Lagrange from northbound I-75 or Stickney from the southbound side will need to drive all the way to the opposite end and come back.

Phillips Avenue is not an option for northbound traffic because all ramps except for the southbound exit there are now closed.

For the most part, the I-75 traffic pattern between I-475 and I-280 is now set up the way it will be for about a year, but there will be a weekend freeway closing later on when the overpass is torn down to make way for its replacement.

Elsewhere, motorists should be alert for a nighttime closing of the northbound I-475 entrance at Salisbury/Dussel for a bridge-deck pour at the freeway's bridge over the Ohio Turnpike. This was supposed to happen last week but was postponed by rain.

On Thursday night, U.S. 6 will be closed at I-75 for overhead bridge-beam installation. From 9 p.m. until Friday at 5 a.m., traffic will be detoured onto I-75 down to Cygnet Road (eastbound) or up to State Rts. 64/105 (westbound). That Cygnet detour is a long haul, so consider taking surface streets through Bowling Green to avoid it.

On the plus side, city officials expected all lane closings associated with joint replacement on the Martin Luther King, Jr. Bridge to end before rush hour today. Future short-term lane closings are planned during replacement of lubricating oil for the bridge's bearings.

1. I-75: Reconstruction and widening from I-475 to I-280 closes all ramps at Jeep-Willys and all ramps at Phillips except the southbound entrance. Detour to nearby interchanges. Lane restrictions on Phillips and Lagrange at I-75 for bridge work. Completion in mid-2018.

2. I-75: Two of four lanes closed, downtown Toledo to I-475, for reconstruction until mid-2016. Detroit entrance to southbound I-75 closed. Very congested during rush hours, especially southbound in the morning and northbound in the afternoon. Oakwood closed at I-75 through April for bridge work.

3. I-75: No shoulders and 60-mph speed limit for widening project from I-475 in Perrysburg south of State Rt. 18 near North Baltimore. Off-peak single-lane closings possible.

4. I-475/U.S. 23: Traffic shifts and shoulder and ramp closings for bridge widening. Airport entrance to southbound I-475 closed until mid-June. Use the Salisbury/Dussel entrance instead.

5. I-475/U.S. 23: Off-peak lane closings at the I-475/U.S. 23 split in Sylvania Township and south of U.S. 20 (Central) for interchange work and overhead bridge renovation at Bancroft.

6. Anthony Wayne Bridge, Miami Street: Bridge closed for renovations until November. Use DiSalle or Martin Luther King, Jr. bridges instead. Miami closed at the

bridge for overhead work today through June. Detour via Fassett and Oak.

7. U.S. 20 (Central, Reynolds): Lane closings at Central/Reynolds and Central/Holland-Sylvania intersections for finish work on widening and median construction project.

8. McCord Road: Closed just north of Hall/North Mall for sewer work. Posted detour is Airport, Holland-Sylvania, and Angola. Use Holloway to Front and Clark or Clarion for local access in Holland.

9. I-475: Eastbound right lane closed between Corey and Secor weekdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. for noise-wall construction through the end of April.

10. Cherry Street: Inbound lanes closed at Collingwood and outbound traffic reduced to one lane north of Central for water project. Inbound traffic detour via Collingwood and Central. Lanes also closed near Mercy St. Vincent Medical Center.

11. Ohio Turnpike: Lane closings east of I-280 for resurfacing through October. One lane closed each way during daytime hours, but a second lane may be closed in either direction at night.

12. U.S. 23: Lanes closed for pavement patching north of U.S. 223 (Exit 5) until 2 p.m. Friday.

13. State Rt. 420: One lane closed on the northbound side approaching Libbey Road for widening.

14. King Road: Pavement and soil testing will require varying lane closings today and tomorrow between Brint and Sylvania.

15. State Rt. 2 (Airport/Western): Closed to eastbound traffic between Detroit and the Airport/Western intersection. Detour via South Avenue.

OFF THE MAP

Ohio Turnpike: One lane closed each way between mile 5.7 and the Indiana border for resurfacing. Delays likely during peak weekend travel times. Lane closings between the Fremont and Sandusky/Belleve interchanges for reconstruction.

U.S. 6: Closed east of Fremont for bridge repair through May. Detour via State Rts. 510, 412, 101, and 269. U.S. 6 also has lanes closed between State Rt. 25 to Dunbridge Road, for pavement repairs. Ramps from southbound I-75 to eastbound U.S. 6 and from northbound I-75 to westbound U.S. 6 are closed. An automated signal governs alternating traffic at a bridge project between State Rt. 199 and New Rochester Road.

U.S. 23/30: Lane closings near Upper Sandusky for bridge repairs and resurfacing. Ramp from eastbound U.S. 30 to northbound U.S. 23 closes today for about three weeks.

U.S. 23: Lane closings, Milan, Mich., and I-94, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday for cable guardrail installation in the median.

State Rt. 2: Lane closings east of Port Clinton for stabilization of mine below freeway into June. Westbound entrance closed at Catawba Island interchange (State Rt. 53).

State Rt. 12: Closed near Bettsville for bridge rehabilitation until June. Detour via State Rt. 635, U.S. 6, and State Rt. 53.

State Rt. 295: Closed starting today between Doran and Archbold-Whitehouse roads for multiple culvert replacements. Detour via State Rt. 64 and U.S. 24. Reopening scheduled for May 22.

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