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Port to Close Bridge Lanes on Upcoming Weekends

Lane closures on Gerald Desmond Bridge for maintenance and signage project

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The Port of Long Beach will be shutting down lanes of the Gerald Desmond Bridge on upcoming weekend days, beginning this Saturday, July 7. The closures are for maintenance and the installation of directional and safety-improvement signs.

All westbound lanes will be shut down from 6 p.m. Saturday, July 7, through 3 a.m. Monday, July 9, for the installation of directional signs and a digital speed indicator sign, which is aimed at reducing traffic speeds and improving safety.

Motorists traveling westbound from Long Beach to the San Pedro area during the closure will be directed to an alternate route.

In addition, scheduled closures for regular maintenance will impact traffic flow on several Sundays during the months of July and August. Again, motorists will be directed to alternate routes by detour signs.

- The bridge will be closed to westbound traffic from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the following Sundays: July 15, July 22 and August 5.
- The entire bridge will be closed to all traffic from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, July 29.

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