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Port to Close Gerald Desmond Bridge on Sunday, July 29

Lane closures needed for maintenance and signage project

July 25, 2007

The Port of Long Beach will be shutting down the Gerald Desmond Bridge this Sunday, July 29, to conduct maintenance and the installation of directional and safety-improvement signs.

All lanes will be shut down from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., when the westbound lanes will be reopened. The eastbound lanes will remain closed until 10 p.m.

The closure is necessary to complete various roadway repairs. Crews will also be installing directional signs and digital speed indicators, which are aimed at reducing traffic speeds and improving safety.

Motorists traveling between Long Beach and the San Pedro area during the closure will be directed to an alternate route, except for emergency vehicles, which will still have access to the bridge in both directions, should the need arise.

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