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**TRAFFIC OPERATIONS AT THE THOUSAND ISLANDS BRIDGES'
BEGIN MAY 10TH at 11:00 pm**

Collins Landing, Alexandria Bay, NY
Ivy Lea, Ontario

The Thousand Islands International Bridge will begin traffic control on Sunday, May 10th and ending approximately Friday, June 12th, necessitating alternating one-way traffic operations. Traffic control will take place on the bridges between the overnight hours of 11:00pm to 7:00am, Sunday evenings through Friday mornings. There will not be any work that would impede normal two-way traffic operations on Saturdays and Sundays up to 11:00pm. Regular traffic operations will be maintained from 7:00am to 11:00pm daily; however momentary delays maybe experienced. Regular traffic operations will be maintained all day during the following U.S. and Canadian holidays: Canadian – Victoria Day/U.S. – Memorial Day.

The Thousand Islands Bridge Authority's bridge crews will be completing annual cleaning and maintenance of the entire bridge system. This procedure is conducted annually in order to prepare the bridges for seasonal painting programs carried out by the Thousand Islands Bridge Authority (TIBA). The Thousand Islands Bridge performs its scheduled maintenance work at a time that will have the least impact on traffic while allowing bridge personnel to accomplish their maintenance programs in the safest environment possible. Maintenance and cleaning of the bridges will begin simultaneously on both the U.S. and Canadian bridges.

We appreciate your patience while recognizing our safety precautions and temporary traffic controls.

Thank you.