

Fort Hamer Bridge to open for evacuation traffic

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Fort Hamer Bridge, Manatee County, FL

MANATEE COUNTY, FL (WWSB) - Fort Hamer Bridge is not scheduled to open to traffic for a few more weeks, but Hurricane Irma has changed those plans.

The county announced that the bridge will temporarily open this Friday, Sept. 8, at 6 a.m. to accommodate those fleeing the storm.

Public Works Director Ron Schulhofer said the bridge is safe for vehicle traffic but it will close Tuesday, Sept. 12 at 8 p.m. to complete the project.

Ft. Hamer Bridge is scheduled to open to traffic on Sept. 23. It will open temporarily on Friday, Sept. 8 to help ease Irma-related traffic.

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