# Welcome U.S. 17-92 Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study

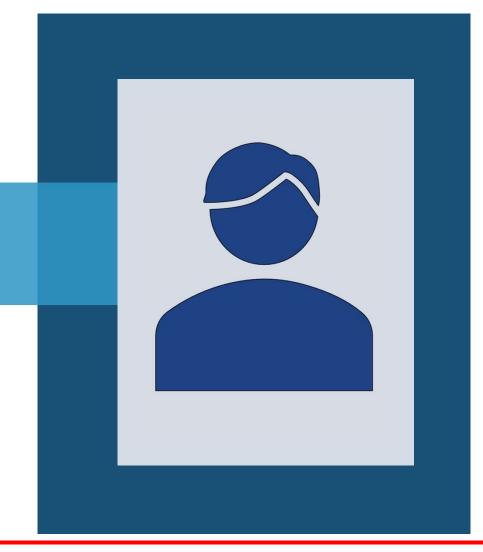
From Ivy Mist Lane to Avenue A

Financial Project Identification (FPID) No.: 437200-2 Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) No.: 14365

#### **Public Hearing**

June 24, 2025 (Virtual) June 26, 2025 (In Person)





#### **INTRODUCTION**

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#### **ABOUT THIS HEARING**

- Offered in person and online to give the community an opportunity to learn about the project and provide feedback.
- An opportunity to offer comments about the proposed project alternative and access management reclassification.

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This study satisfies National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and other policies, regulations and procedures



#### **AGENDA**



- Open House
- Presentation
- Hear your feedback



# **PROJECT LOCATION**



- U.S. 17-92 from Ivy Mist Lane to Avenue A in Osceola County
- Approximately 3.8 miles
- Osceola County
- Communities of Intercession City and Poinciana

# **PURPOSE AND NEED**

#### Purpose and Need

- Reduce congestion
- Address future travel demand
- Improve safety
  - Enhance pedestrian and bicycle connectivity





#### PLANNING CONSISTENCY

#### MetroPlan Orlando

- Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) Cost Feasible Plan (CFP)
- Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

#### Florida Department Of Transportation

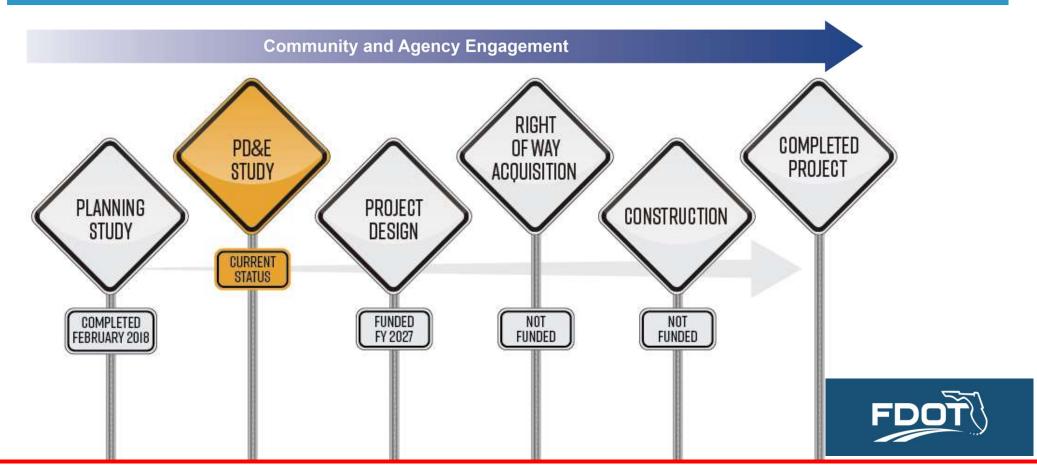
- Five-Year Work Program (2025-2029)
- Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)







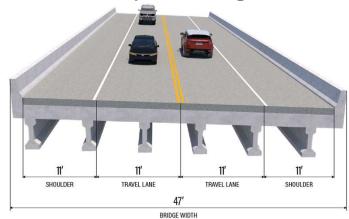
# TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT PROCESS



## **EXISTING ROADWAY**



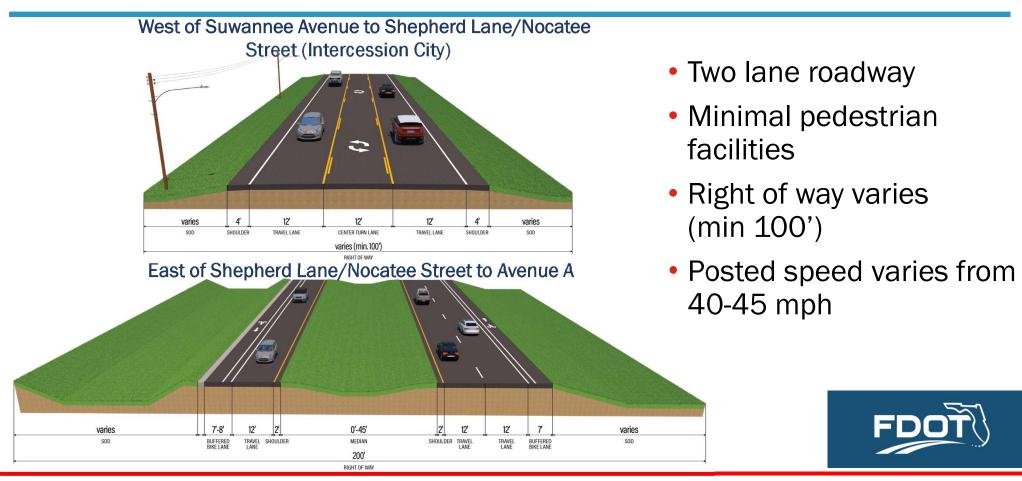
#### Reedy Creek Bridge



- Two lane roadway
- Minimal pedestrian facilities
- Right of way varies (min 100')
- Posted speed varies from 45-55 mph

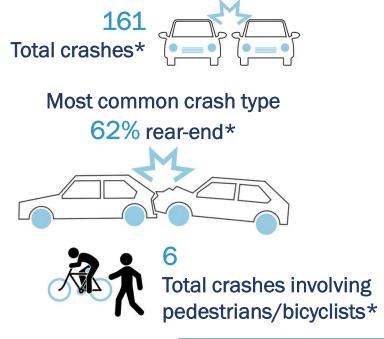


#### **EXISTING ROADWAY**



#### **SAFETY**

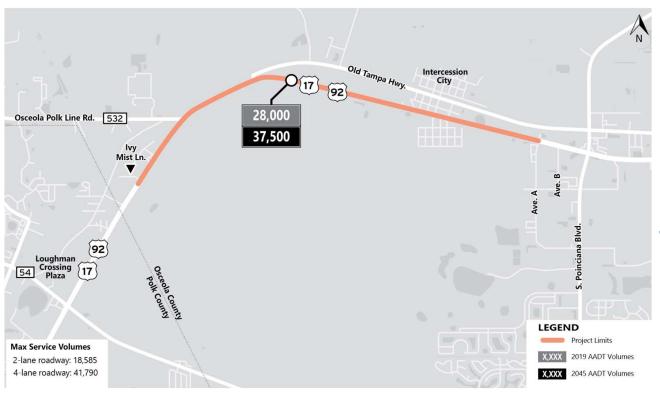
- Congestion
- Lack of pedestrian and bicycle facilities
- Sporadic lighting
- High traveling speeds through Intercession City



\*Crashes recorded over a five-year period (2014-2018)



# **TRAFFIC ANALYSIS**



# Existing (2019) Traffic Demand

- Annual Average Daily Traffic (AADT)
- 28,000 Vehicles per day

# Future Annual Average Daily Travel (2045)

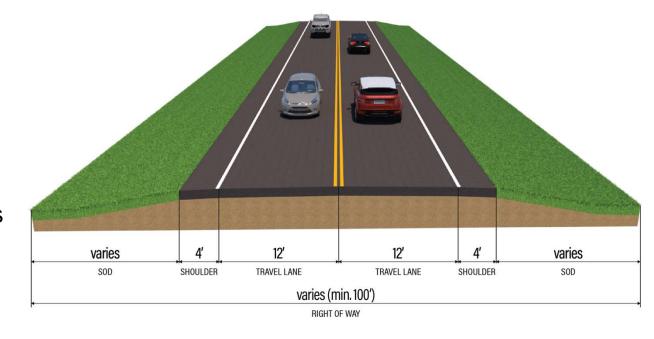
- 37,500 Vehicles per day
- Traffic is anticipated to grow by <u>34%</u>



# **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

#### No Build

- No facility improvements/changes
- Congestion will intensify
- Incomplete bicycle and pedestrian network remains
- Does not meet the project purpose and need



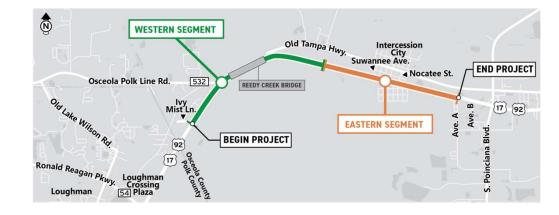


## **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

#### **Three Build Alternatives**

Western segment – alternatives considered for best fit-alignment to minimize impacts

Eastern segment - three alternatives analyzed





# **BUILD ALTERNATIVE**



# Enhanced Capacity / Traffic Operations

- Widen from two to four lanes
- Accommodates existing and future traffic volumes
- Designing for year 2045

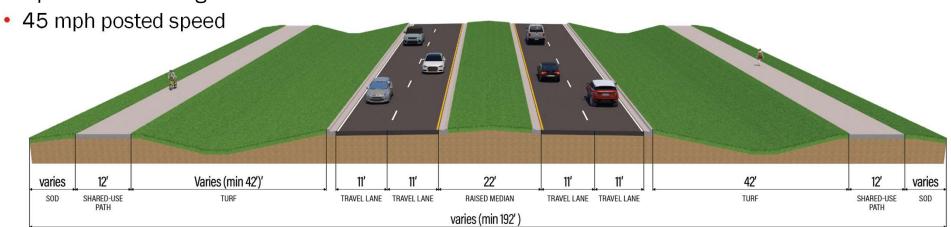
#### Safety

- Reduce speed limits
- Reduce potential conflict points
- Provides bicycle and pedestrian facilities



Ivy Mist Lane to Reedy Creek Bridge, East of Old Tampa Highway to Suwannee Avenue, and Nocatee Street to Avenue A

- 4-Lane divided roadway
- Shared-use path on both sides
- Raised median
- Open swale drainage



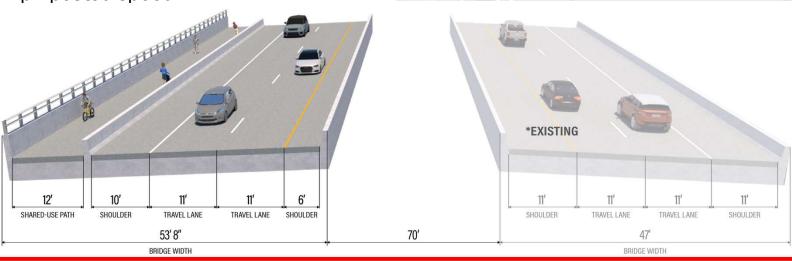
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Intercession City Suwannee Ave. **END PROJECT** Nocatee St. Osceola Polk Line Rd. **BEGIN PROJECT** 

Old Tampa Hwy.

#### Reedy Creek Bridge

- New bridge for westbound traffic
- Shared-use path along north side of proposed bridge
- Restripe existing bridge for eastbound traffic
- 45 mph posted speed



Old Tampa Hwy. Intercession City Suwannee Ave.

Osceola Polk Line Rd. 532 Reedy Creek Bridge

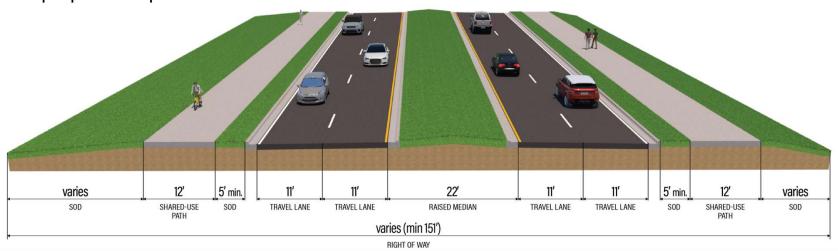
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Ronald Reagan Pkwy. Loughman Crossing Loughman [54] Plaza

# Reedy Creek Bridge to East of Old Tampa Highway

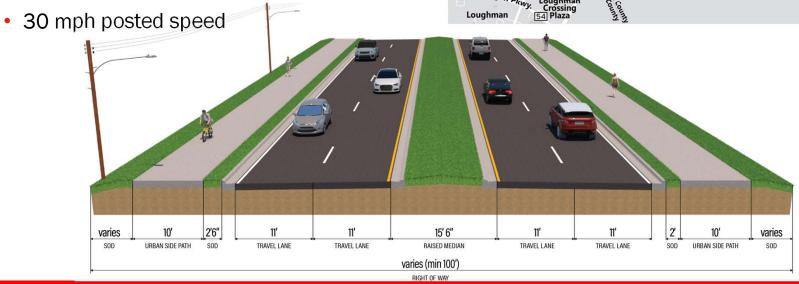
- 4-Lane divided roadway
- Shared-use path on both sides
- Raised median
- 45 mph posted speed





# West of Suwannee Avenue to Nocatee Street

- 4-Lane divided roadway
- Urban side path on both sides
- Raised median



Osceola Polk Line Rd.

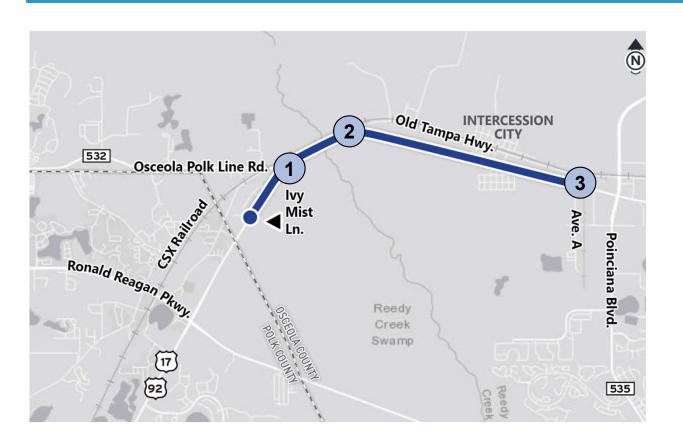
lvy Mist Ln. Old Tampa Hwy.

**BEGIN PROJECT** 

City Suwannee Ave.

**END PROJECT** 

# Preferred intersection improvements

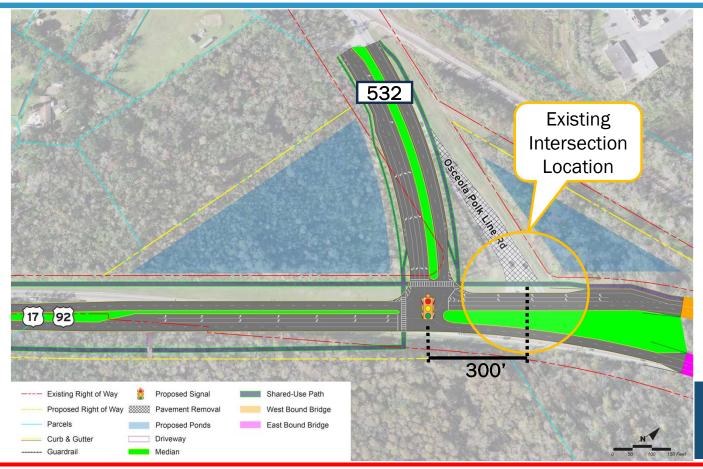


#### **Intersection Locations**

- 1 County Road (C.R.) 532/ Osceola Polk Line Road
- 2 Old Tampa Highway
- 3 Avenue A

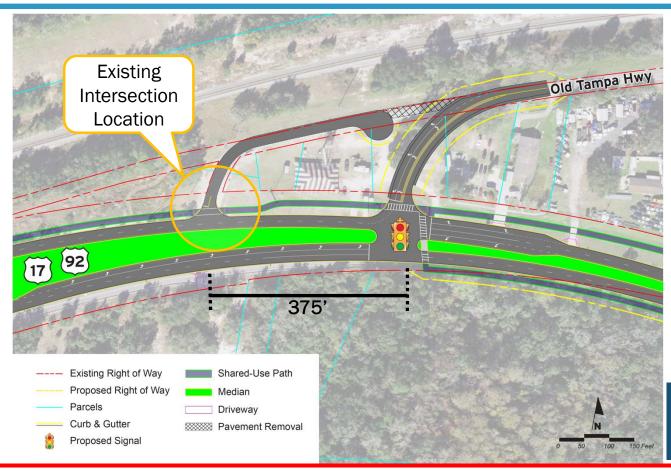


# C.R. 532/ OSCEOLA POLK LINE ROAD



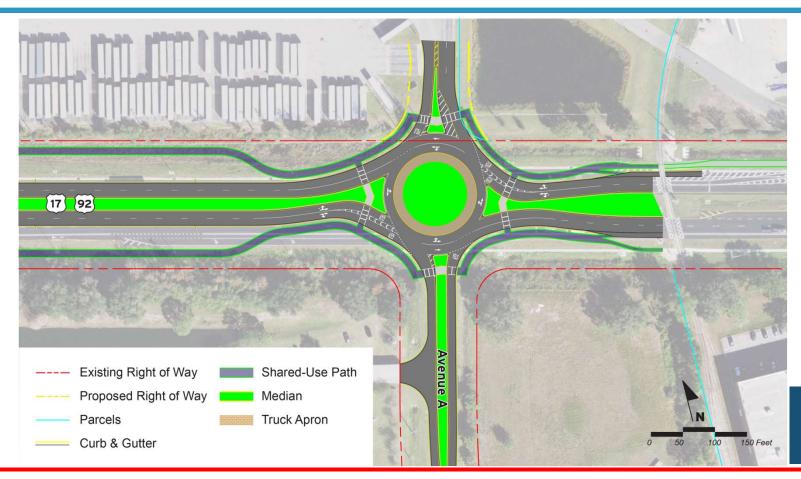


# **OLD TAMPA HIGHWAY**



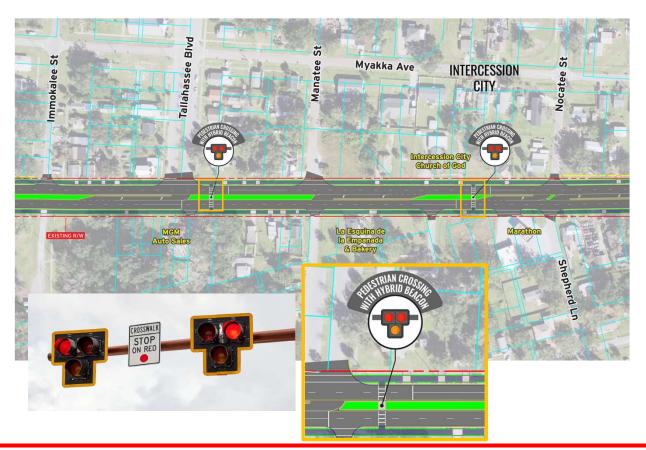


# **AVENUE** A





# INTERCESSION CITY ENHANCEMENTS



#### **Crossing Treatments**

- Two midblock crosswalks proposed
- Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon (PHB)

# Recommended Speed Management Practices

- Horizontal deflection
- Speed feedback signs
- Curb and gutter
- Shared-use paths
- Landscaping



# **ACCESS MANAGEMENT**

#### Classification Change

- Introduce a divided median along U.S. 17-92
- Changing Access Management Classification in Intercession City from Access Class 3 to Class 5
- In accordance with Section 335.188 Florida Statutes



Access Management Rule (FAC 14-97)				
Access Class	Signal	Full Opening	Directional Opening	
Class 3	2,640 ft	2,640 ft	1,320 ft	
Class 5 (PS ≤ 45 mph)	1,320 ft	1,320 ft	660 ft	



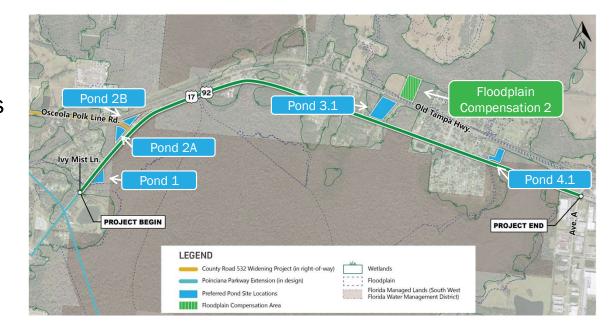
#### STORMWATER ANALYSIS & POND SITING

#### **Stormwater Ponds**

- Five preferred pond sites
- Meet South Florida Water Management District Standards
- Two ponds accommodate widening of U.S. 17-92 and Osceola County project being completed by CFX projects

#### Floodplain Compensation Area

 One floodplain compensation area is recommended





# **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS**

#### **Natural**

- Wetlands
- Conservation lands
- Protected species and habitat
- Floodplains

#### Social and Economic

- Social
- Relocation potential

#### **Cultural**

- Historical sites/resources
- Archaeological sites
- Section 4(f)

#### **Physical**

- Noise
- Utilities
- Contamination



# **ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

Feature	Potential Effects of the Preferred Alternative	
Natural		
Protected Species	5 Federally-Listed Species - May Affect, But Not Likely to Adversely Affect (MANLAA)	
Wetlands and Floodplains	54.24 acres of wetland impacts and 9.87 acres of floodplain impacts	
Physical		
Contamination	12 potential contamination sites (7 Medium Risk and 5 Low Risk) Level 2 assessment required for design on medium risk sites	
Noise	39 of 167 noise receptors anticipated to approach or exceed Noise Abatement Criteria Noise barriers were considered but determined not feasible	
Cultural		
Historic/Archaeological Resources	Cultural Resources Assessment Survey completed Identified 9 historic properties and 1 archaeological site within project area of potential effect State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) concurrence received December 2021 Coordination ongoing with SHPO for mitigation measures	

# SECTION 4(F) RESOURCES

#### Section 4(f) properties

• 9 historic properties

#### Section 4(f) process

- Avoidance alternatives developed and evaluated
- Impacts to four historic resources (one historic resource group and three contributing bridge structures)
- Results in a net benefit and the project includes all possible planning to minimize harm





#### RIGHT OF WAY

#### Right of way needs anticipated

- 55.16 acres
- 48 parcels

#### Relocations – 2 residential & no business

- Conducted in accordance with:
  - Section 339.09, F.S.
  - Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (Uniform Act)





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# BUSINESSES, FARMS, AND NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

**RELOCATION ASSISTANCE** 









STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION HAYDON BURNS BUILDING 605 SUWANNEE STREET TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32399-0450

October 1, 201

#### See FDOT's Right of Way Representative for more information

For more information visit: FDOT Right of Way

www.dot.state.fl.us/rightofway/documents.shtm



# **EVALUATION MATRIX**

Evaluation Criteria	No Build	Preferred Alternative		
Meets Purpose and Need	No	Yes		
Social Environment				
Number of Parcels Impacted	0	48		
Number of Residential Relocations	0	2		
Number of Business Relocations	0	0		
Cultural Environment				
Potential Historic/Archaeological Impacts	None	High		
Natural Environment				
Wetlands (Acres)	0	54.24		
Floodplains (Acres)	0	9.87		
Threatened & Endangered Species	None	Moderate		
Physical Resources				
Potential Contamination Sites	None	Low		
Impacted Noise Sensitive Sites	None	39		
Project Costs* (in Millions)				
Estimated Design Cost (7.5%)	\$0	\$8.84		
Estimated Right-of-Way Acquisition Cost	\$0	\$77.06		
Estimated Construction Cost (includes 15% contingency)	\$0	\$117.86		
Construction Engineering Inspection (CEI) (12%)	\$0	\$14.14		
Total Estimated Costs	\$0	\$217.90M		
*Estimated project costs are subject to change				



#### **COORDINATION AND PUBLIC OUTREACH**

- Stakeholder coordination
- Alternatives Public Meeting held October 12, 2021





















## PROJECT SCHEDULE



Design <u>is funded</u> for fiscal year 2027

At this time, the right of way acquisition and construction project phases are not funded.









Speak with project team members

Submit a comment for the hearing record via the comment form or provide a comment directly to the court reporter









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Project documents are available for public review at the following location and online.

#### **Physical Location**

**Osceola County Hart Memorial Central Library** 211 East Dakin Avenue Kissimmee, FL 34741

Mon. - Thurs.: 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Fri. - Sat.: 9 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sun.: Noon – 6 p.m.



Project documents available for viewing from June 2, 2025, to July 7, 2025



#### **Project Website**

www.cflroads.com/project/437200-2





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All inquiries will be handled in a prompt and courteous manner.

















# FEDERAL AND STATE REQUIREMENTS

- Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA)
- Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Other Nondiscrimination Laws
- 49 CFR Part 24, Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition for Federal and Federally-Assisted Programs
- 40 CFR Part 1506, Other Requirements of NEPA

- Section 120.525, F.S. Meetings, hearings, and workshops
- Section 286.011, F.S. Florida's Government in the Sunshine Law
- Section 335.199, F.S. Transportation projects modifying access to adjacent property
- Section 339.155, F.S. Transportation Planning



#### National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by FDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.



# THANK YOU!

Please submit any questions or comment by July 7, 2025