



PROJECT KICKOFF NEWSLETTER

Flagler Beach Gap Trail PD&E Study from Volusia/Flagler County line to Ocean Marina Drive

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

FINANCIAL PROJECT IDENTIFICATION (FPID) NUMBER: 439873-2 | OCTOBER 2025

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study to evaluate shared-use path connectivity from the Volusia/Flagler County line to Ocean Marina Drive, approximately 6.5 miles. This study will assess potential bicycle and pedestrian route alternatives to enhance connectivity, specifically evaluating options to close the existing Flagler Beach gap along the St. Johns River-to-Sea Loop Trail (SJR2C). The goal is to identify a preferred alignment that best meets the project's objectives. SJR2C is part of the Shared-Use Non-motorized (SUN) Trail network.

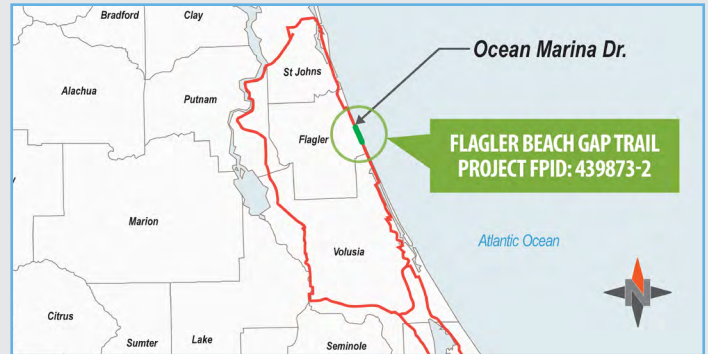
PURPOSE

The purpose of this project is to enhance safety, accessibility, and connectivity by providing a shared-use path that accommodates bicyclists and pedestrians of all ages and abilities.

NEED

The project is needed to close a critical gap in the statewide SUN Trail network, improve continuity of multiple travel options, and provide users with a safer, more comfortable facility that supports active transportation and regional connectivity.

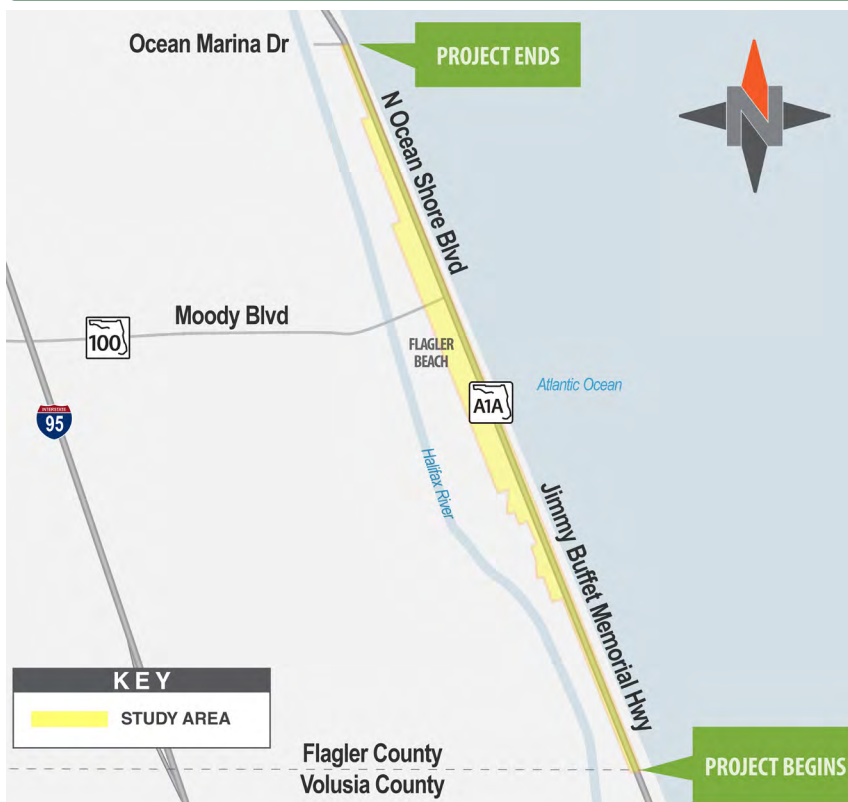
ST. JOHNS RIVER-TO-SEA LOOP



The SJR2C Loop is a 260-mile shared-use trail connecting Titusville, DeBary, Palatka, and St. Augustine in a scenic loop. It links with major regional trails including the Florida Coast-to-Coast Trail, Lake Monroe Loop, and the Heart of Florida Loop, forming an expanding network for recreation, eco-tourism, and alternative transportation across Central and Northeast Florida.



PROJECT LOCATION



GET INVOLVED!

The Flagler Beach Gap Trail PD&E Study will offer ongoing opportunities for the public to receive project updates and provide input on proposed improvements. Public involvement will begin with this newsletter and continue throughout the duration of the study.

Public input is a key part of decision-making during the PD&E Study. You can submit your comments directly to Maria Serrano-Acosta, FDOT Project Manager, or through the project website using the link below. Meeting announcements, project documents, and other important project information will also be available on the project website.

<http://www.cflroads.com/project/439873-2>





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FLAGLER BEACH GAP TRAIL PD&E STUDY INFORMATION

Title VI: Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Melissa McKinney, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator, at Melissa.McKinney@dot.state.fl.us.

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 the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and FDOT.

