

SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS

S.R. 535 from South of International Dr. to South of Hotel Plaza Blvd.



Financial Project Identification
(FPID) No.: 439237-1 & 441146-1

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is resurfacing and implementing safety improvements on Apopka-Vineland Road (State Road 535) from south of International Drive to south of Hotel Plaza Boulevard in Orange County.

As a part of this project, the FDOT is also working to improve traffic flow along the corridor by introducing an innovative design known as signalized restricted crossing U-turn (RCUT) intersections at the following locations:

- Vistana Drive
- Vistana Centre Drive/Blue Heron Beach Drive
- Meadow Creek Drive/Lake Vining Drive
- Chick-fil-A/Holiday Inn driveway

At Lake Bryan Beach Boulevard, the full median opening at the intersection will be changed into a directional median opening. Directional median openings allow left and right turns onto a property or side street, but only right turns out of a property or side street.

Additional operational and safety enhancements include closing sidewalk gaps; improving pedestrian features to comply with current Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) requirements; extending turn lanes; adding bus stops and bicycle lanes; analyzing and retiming traffic signals; installing lighting; and upgrading signage and pavement markings.

CONTRACTOR

The Middlesex Corporation

PROJECT COST

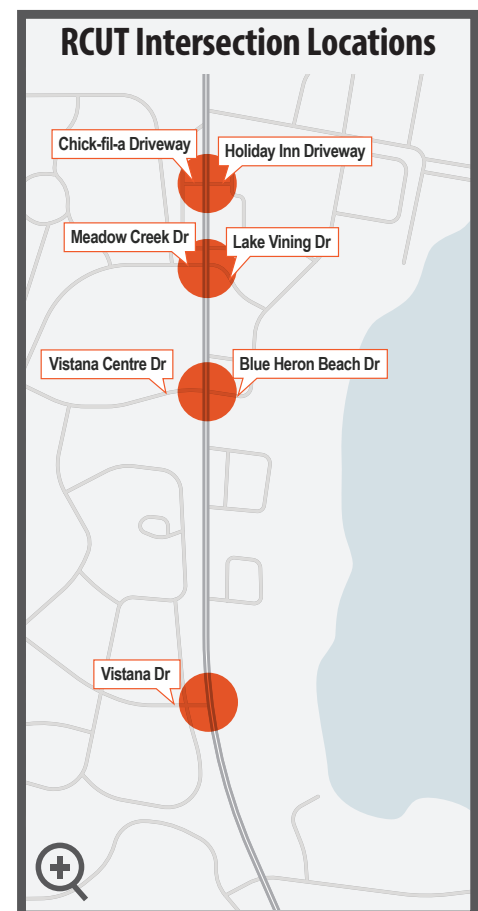
\$9.3 Million

PROJECT START

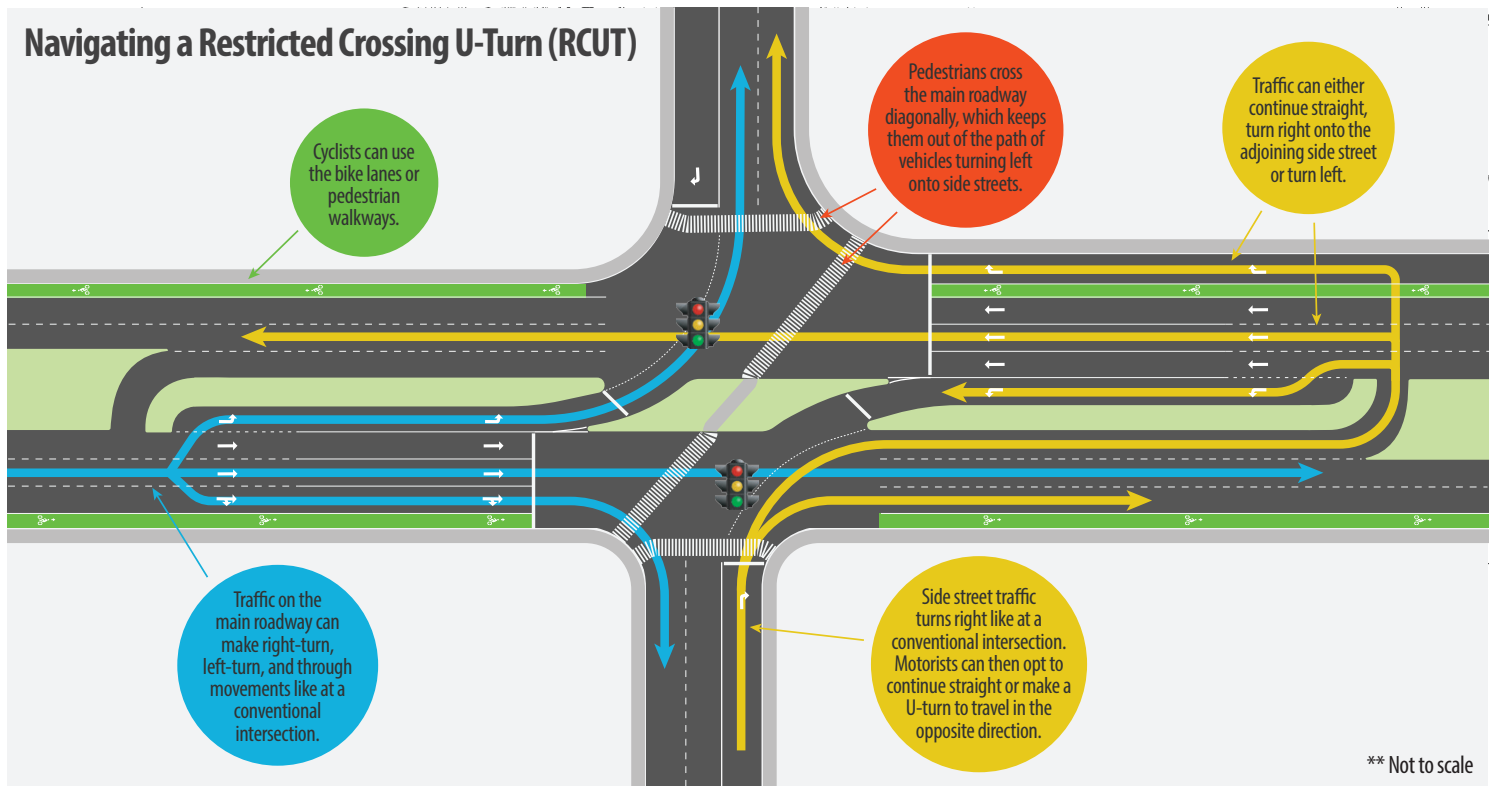
March 2021

ESTIMATED COMPLETION

Spring 2022



Navigating a Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT)



WHAT TO EXPECT

During construction, motorists should expect lane closures between 8 p.m. and 6 a.m. Electronic message boards and other signage will be used to direct traffic around the closures. Uneven pavement is a common, unavoidable roadway condition with resurfacing projects as the contractor must put down different layers of asphalt during various phases of construction. Motorists are asked to use extra caution while driving through the work zone. Road conditions during construction are short-term and will become less apparent as the project progresses.

The contractor will maintain pedestrian access to sidewalks during construction using signed detours, channelizing devices, and/or temporary walkways and ramps, when appropriate. Please be advised it is the property owner's responsibility to remove or relocate any privately owned irrigation, landscaping, decorations, and/or fencing within the FDOT right of way before the start of construction. The FDOT reserves the right to cut and cap any irrigation and remove any items that conflict with the planned work in the right of way. If there are questions about whether you may have items within the right of way, please contact Community Outreach Coordinator [Shemir Wiles](mailto:shemir.wiles@dot.state.fl.us) at 321-319-8130 or shemir.wiles@dot.state.fl.us.

Additionally, the level of work activity will vary during different phases of construction, and paving operations will be intermittent. Please note the construction schedule may change due to weather or other unexpected conditions. For the most current project details and lane closure information, make sure to visit FDOT's Central Florida website www.cflroads.com.



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