



INFORMATION HANDOUT

Public Hearing on November 5, 2020

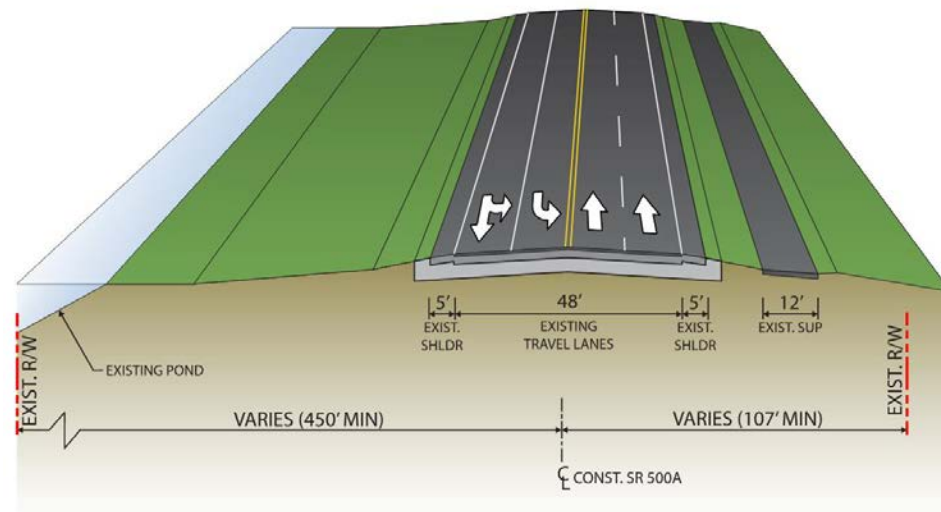
State Road (S.R.) 500A/U.S. 441 Intersection

Safety Improvements Design

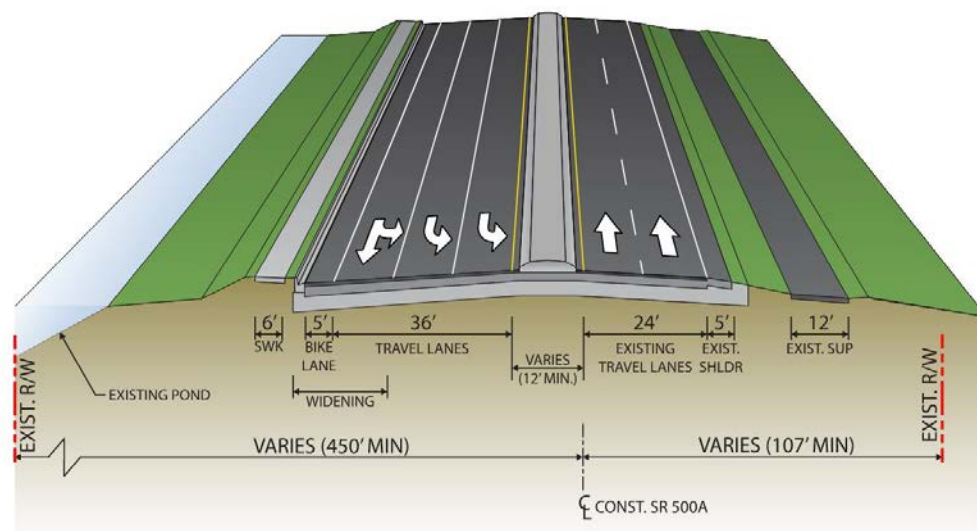
in Tavares (Lake County)

Financial Project ID: 443507-1

State Road 500A - Existing Typical Section



State Road 500A – Proposed Typical Section



For More Information

Project information is posted at www.cflroads.com/project/443507-1.

Welcome to the Public Hearing

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is holding the public hearing to present information related to proposed safety improvements at the State Road (S.R.) 500A and U.S. 441 intersection. FDOT is offering two ways for the community to participate in the hearing - online (computer, tablet, or cell phone) or in person (at the Tavares Civic Center, located at 100 E. Caroline Street, Tavares, Florida 32778). The purpose of this hearing is to present information and to receive public input regarding the proposed design plans. Here is the hearing format.

5:30 to 5:45 p.m.	Getting settled (log in, call in, attend in person)
5:45 p.m.	Project Presentation
	Formal Public Testimony

Submit Your Comments

Comments may be submitted in any of the following ways:

- Submit written comments at the public hearing (online or in person);
- Make verbal statements at the public hearing (online or in person);
- Submit a completed comment form (in person, email, or mail); or
- Submit a comment while visiting project website page (www.cflroads.com/project/443507-1).

FDOT welcomes comments throughout the project. All comments postmarked or emailed by November 19, 2020 will become a part of the public hearing record.

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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 Jennifer Smith, FDOT District Five Title VI Compliance Coordinator, by email at Jennifer.smith2@dot.state.fl.us

Project Location Map



Project Overview

The proposed design for the intersection safety improvements focuses on the traffic turning left from S.R. 500A to westbound U.S. 441. The design of this project is expected to be completed in spring 2021 with construction anticipated to begin in fall 2021. No additional right of way will be needed for the intersection safety improvements.

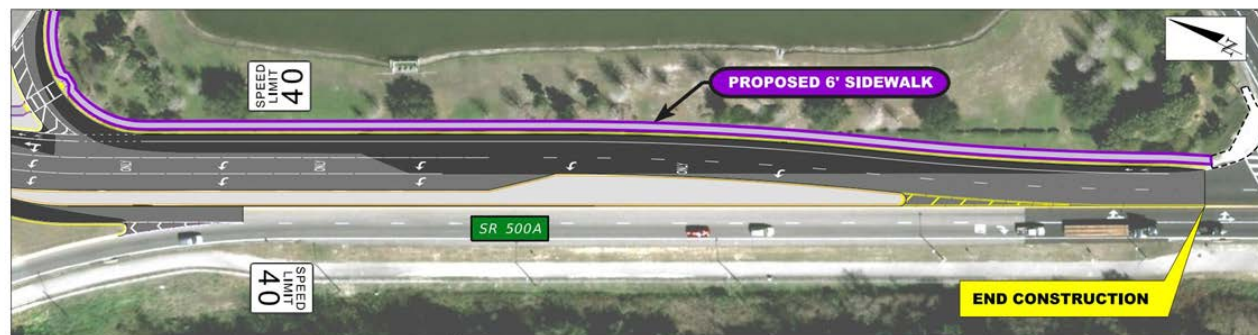
Proposed safety improvements along S.R. 500A will include:

- Realign left turn lanes (from S.R. 500A to U.S. 441);
- Add a second dedicated left turn lane (northbound S.R. 500A); and
- Construct a raised median to separate the left turn lanes from the southbound lanes on S.R. 500A.

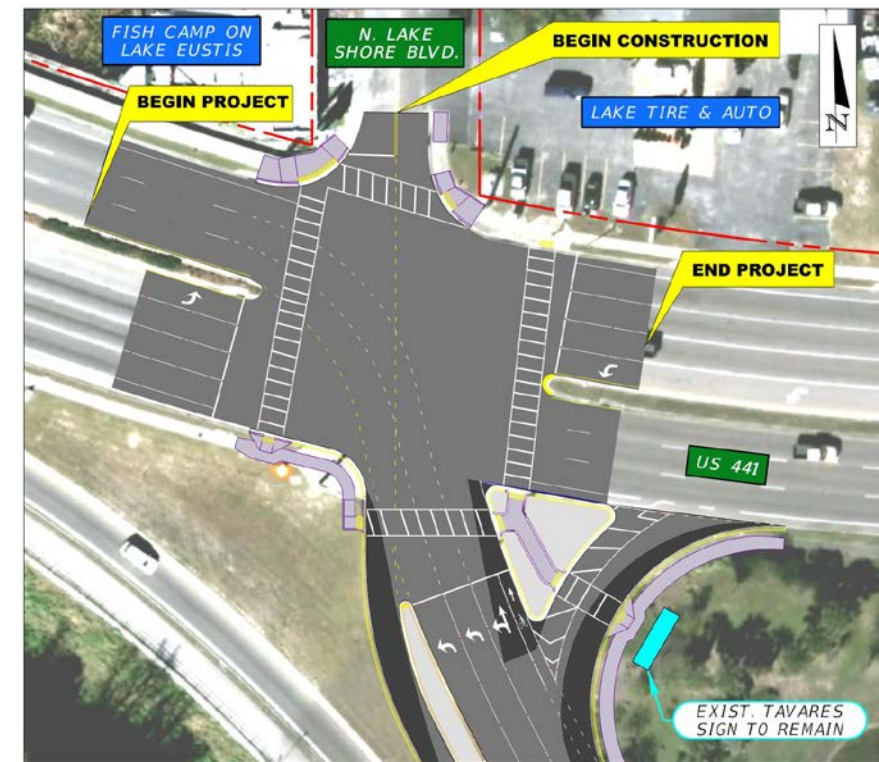
A High Friction Surface Treatment (HFST) will be installed in the intersection and in the westbound lanes of U.S. 441, west of the intersection (as outlined in green in the graphic in the lower right of this page). HFST will increase the surface tension for motorists, especially during wet weather. Crosswalk markings also will be enhanced.

The existing sidewalk along the east side of S.R. 500A ends just south of U.S. 441 and picks back up at the south intersection with North Duncan Drive. **Filling in the sidewalk gap along the east side of S.R. 500A** is a part of this design project.

Filling in the Sidewalk Gap on the East Side of S.R. 500A



Proposed Safety Improvements Along S.R. 500A



High Friction Surface Treatment at the Intersection

