

# NW 49TH STREET INTERCHANGE CONSTRUCTION

**Financial Project  
Identification  
(FPID) No.:**  
435209-1



**Marion County**

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## ABOUT THIS PROJECT

As part of the Moving I-75 Forward initiative, the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is constructing a new Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) at Interstate 75 (I-75) and NW 49th Street in Ocala. This interchange will improve interstate and regional mobility within Marion County, accommodate future traffic growth, and provide relief to surrounding interchanges.

The DDI design enhances efficiency and increases safety by eliminating left turns across oncoming traffic. Unlike a conventional interchange, the lanes in a DDI cross over to the left side of the roadway at signalized crossings, then return to the right side of the roadway at the next signal. The design limits the number of traffic signal phases and allows drivers to make left turns without crossing in front of oncoming traffic.

During this phase of the work, the contractor will drive large piles into the ground east and west of I-75 and in the median to serve as the weight-bearing "legs" of the two bridges that will make up the interchange. The superstructure of the bridge will then be built, along with the NW 49th Street roadway east and west of I-75. Through a funding partnership with Marion County, an Ocala welcome sign will be added to the bridge over southbound I-75 that pays homage to the area's rich equine history.

The Moving I-75 Forward initiative involves two related projects covering 33 miles from State Road (S.R.) 44 in Wildwood to S.R. 326 in Ocala. The projects are adding auxiliary lanes to I-75 both northbound and southbound and replacing and widening a number of bridges within the project limits. Improvements are also being made at various interchanges to improve safety and the flow of traffic.

**ESTIMATED COMPLETION**  
Summer 2028



**FOR QUESTIONS, CONCERNS,  
OR PROJECT UPDATES**

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## WHAT TO EXPECT

Pile driving activities will occur from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., Monday through Friday. The dates and the duration of work may change due to weather and other unforeseen events. Some single- or double-lane closures may occur on I-75 for the safety of the work crews and the traveling public. While steps will be taken to minimize the impact of construction to the surrounding community, please be advised that you may hear noise and/or feel minor vibrations from the work. Accessibility for emergency responders and residents is a priority and will be maintained at all times.

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*This illustration shows how the NW 49th Street Interchange will look  
after completion.*



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