



I-75

S.R. 200 TO S.R. 326

I-75 Improvements PD&E Study

from S.R. 200 to S.R. 326

Public Hearing

March 4, 2024 (In Person)

March 6, 2024 (Virtual)



**MOVING FLORIDA
FORWARD** 

Financial Project Identification (FPID) No.: 452074-1

Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) No.: 14542

The presentation will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m.



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About this Hearing

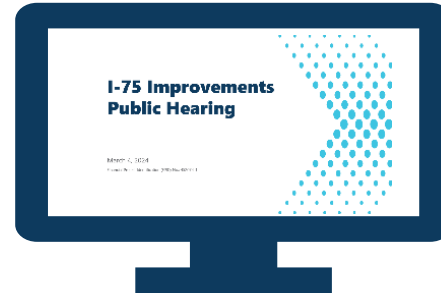
You can participate in this hearing:

In-Person



March 4, 2024

Virtually via GoToWebinar



March 6, 2024

For more information, visit: www.cflroads.com/project/452074-1

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Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.

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

Public Notice



Florida Administrative Register



FDOT website/project web page



Newspaper



Elected & Appointed officials



Property owner/tenant letters



Social media

Federal and State Requirements



This public hearing is being held in accordance with:

- 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.

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



- Ocala Public Library
2720 E. Silver Springs Blvd.
Ocala, FL 34470
- Regular Business Hours (Monday thru Thursday 10:00 am – 8:00 pm, Friday and Saturday 10:00 am – 6:00 pm, and Sunday 1:00 pm – 5:00 pm)
- Available February 12, 2024, to March 16, 2024



- www.cflroads.com/project/452074-1

Three components to tonight's hearing:



1. **Open House**

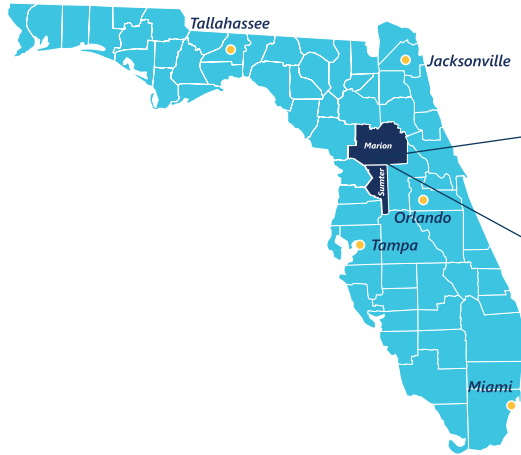


2. **Presentation**



3. **Formal comment period**
(following the presentation)

I-75 Master Plan



PHASE
1

Near-term
mainline and
interchange
improvements



PHASE
2

Interchange
improvements
addressing
long-term needs



PHASE
3

Long-term
mainline capacity



PD&E Studies

- Two separate Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Studies
- I-75 South
 - South of S.R. 44 to S.R. 200
 - Approximately 22 miles
 - 3 interchanges
- I-75 North
 - S.R. 200 to S.R. 326
 - Approximately 8 miles
 - 4 interchanges



Project Location

- I-75 from S.R. 200 to S.R. 326
 - FPID 452074-1
- Planning Consistency
 - Ocala-Marion Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan
 - Ocala-Marion TPO Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
 - FDOT Work Program



Project Development Process



Need for Improvements

- Evaluate near and long-term corridor and interchange improvements within the study area to improve or accommodate:



**Travel
Delay**



**Incidents
and Traffic**



**Population
Growth**



**Freight
Activity**



1 out of **9**
DAYS
ALL LANES
CLOSED

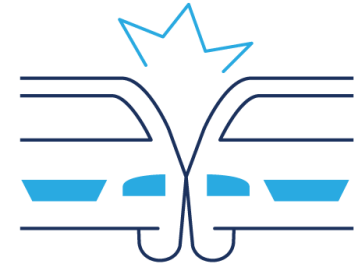


EVERY 13 HOURS
an incident **CLOSES**
at least **ONE LANE**

MOST COMMON CRASH TYPES



42% REAR-END



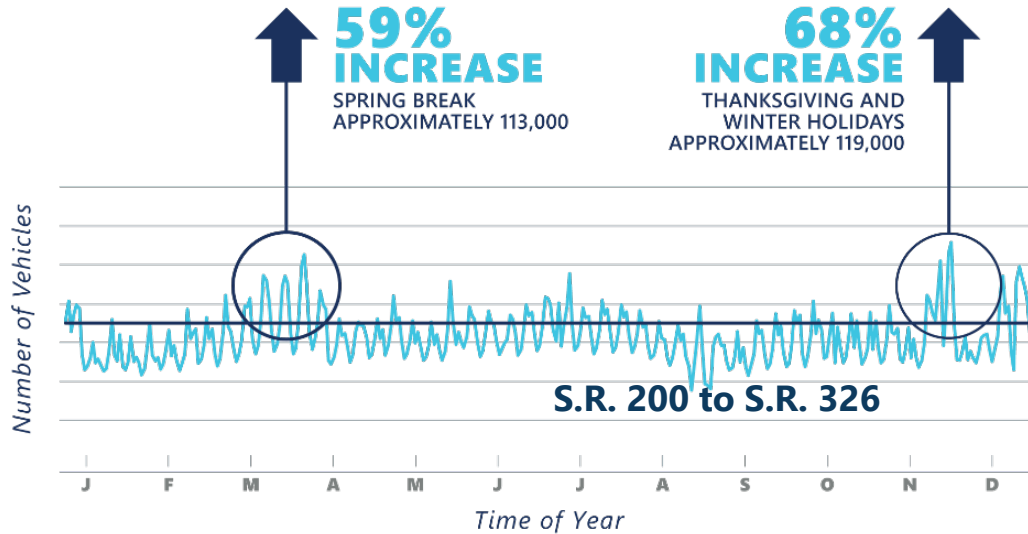
21% SIDESWIPE

Seasonal Traffic



**71,000
VEHICLES DAILY**

ANNUAL AVERAGE DAILY TRAFFIC (AADT) IN 2019



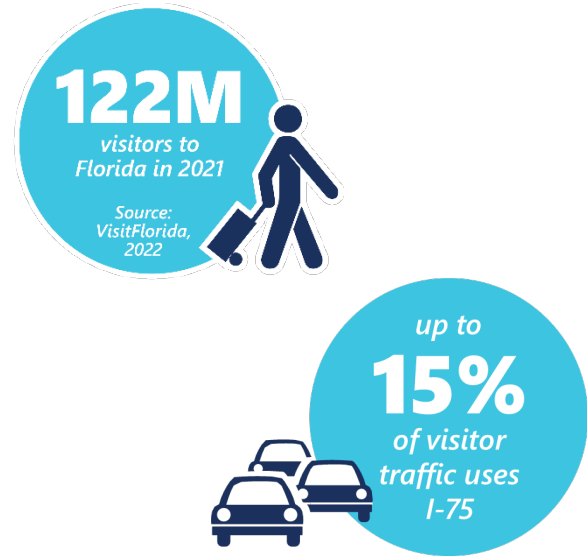
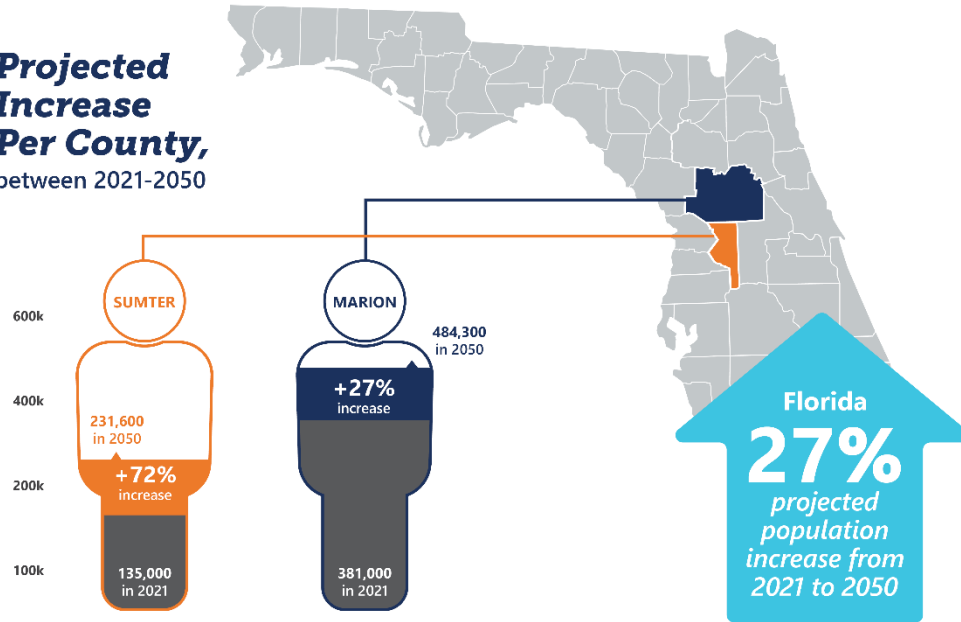
Seasonal traffic can be
2X
that of a typical day

Growth and Tourism Trends

Population Growth


Tourism Trends

Projected Increase Per County, between 2021-2050



Freight Activity

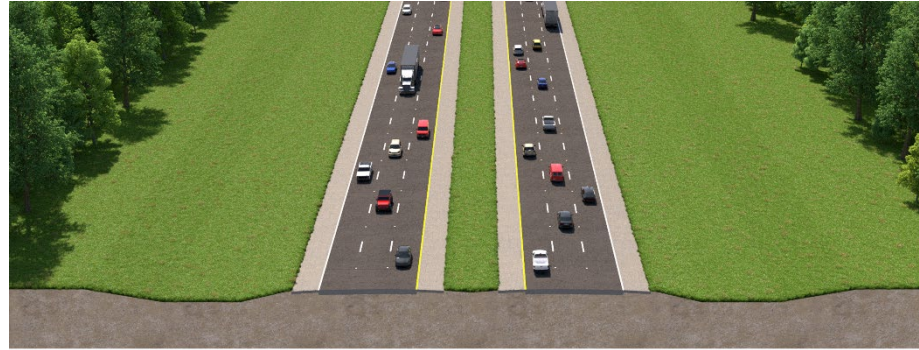
over
20%
of trips on
I-75 are
made by
TRUCKS



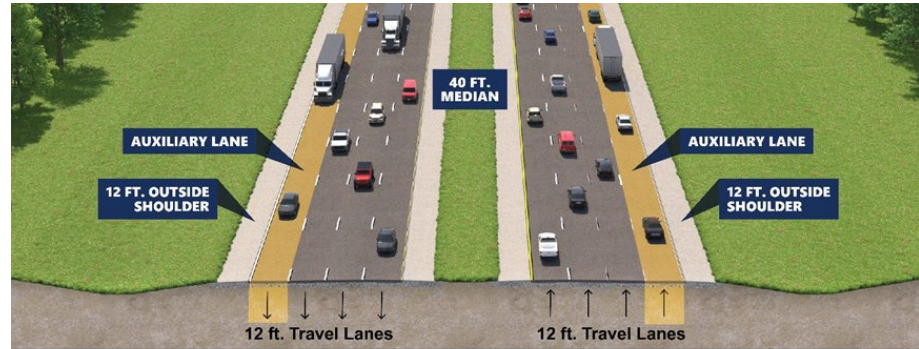
LOCATION	AADT <i>Total Vehicles Per Day</i>		
	2019		2050
	Vehicles Per Day	% Truck Traffic	Vehicles Per Day
S.R. 326 to 49th	74,000	27.70%	122,000
49th to U.S. 27	74,000	27.70%	122,000
S.R. 27 to S.R. 40	83,000	21.90%	137,000
S.R. 40 to S.R. 200	97,500	20.20%	161,000

Alternatives Considered

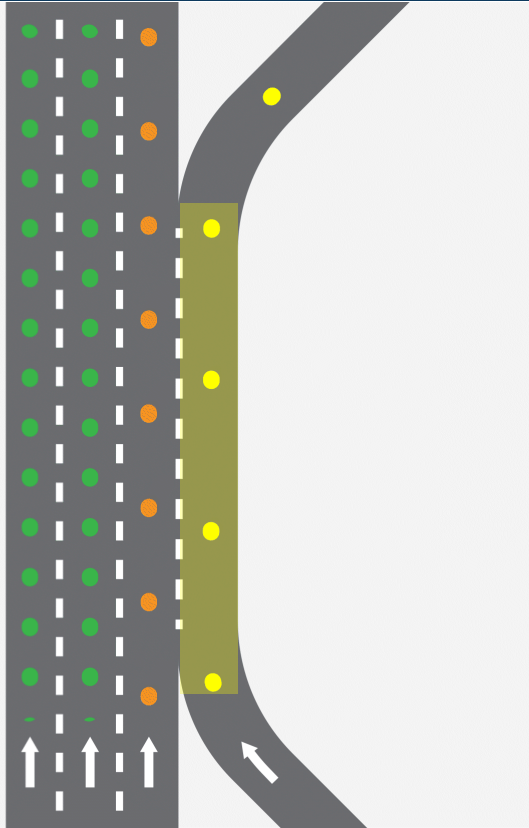
Existing / No Build



Build Alternative



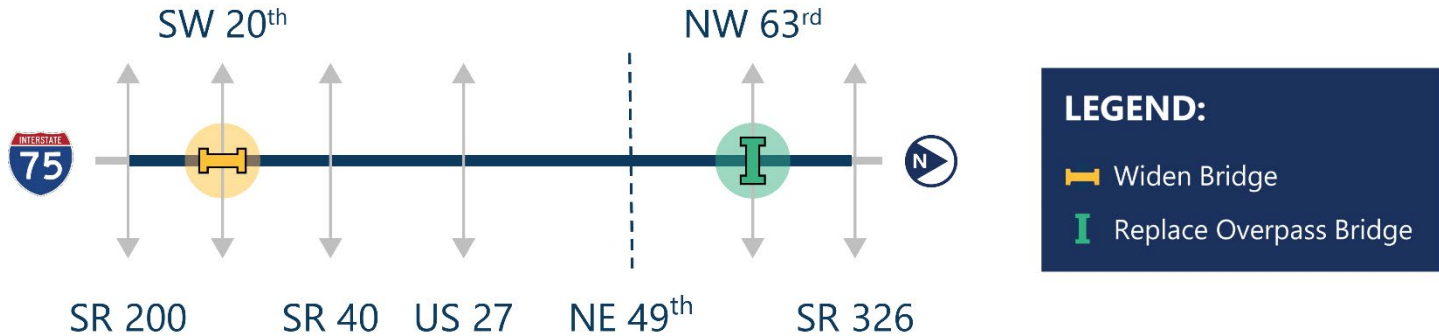
Existing Right of Way: 300 ft.



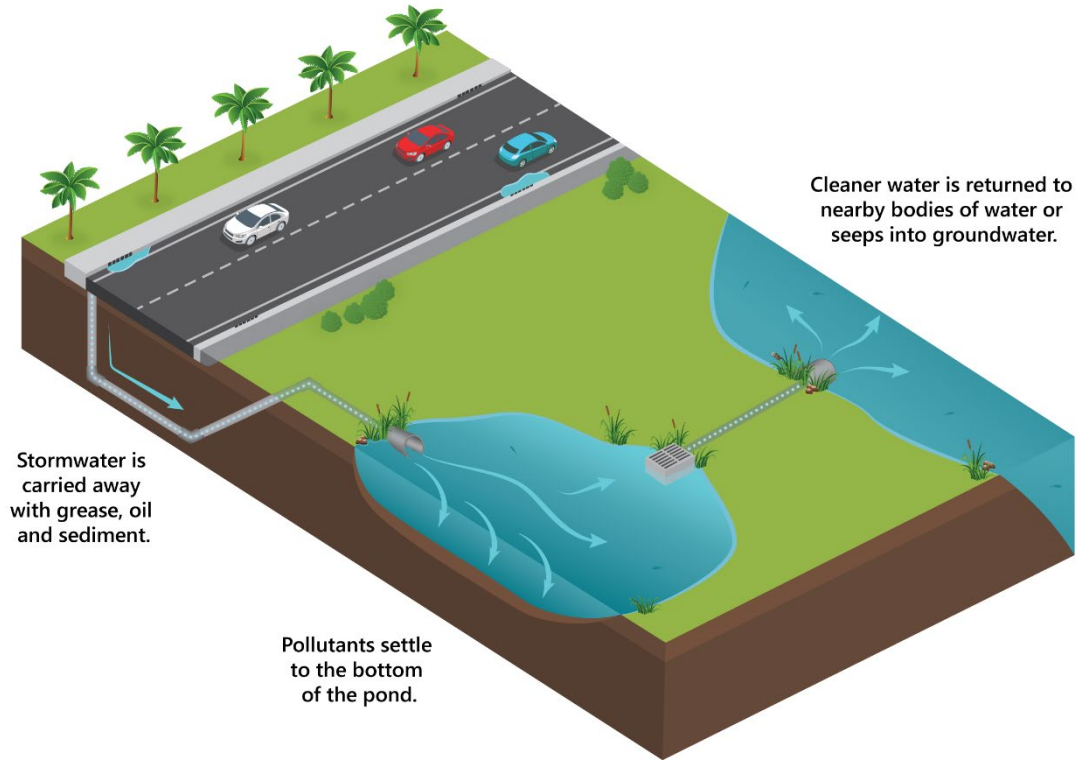
DEFINITION | Auxiliary Lane

An auxiliary lane is an extra lane connecting the on and off ramps between two consecutive interchanges.

Bridge Widening & Replacements



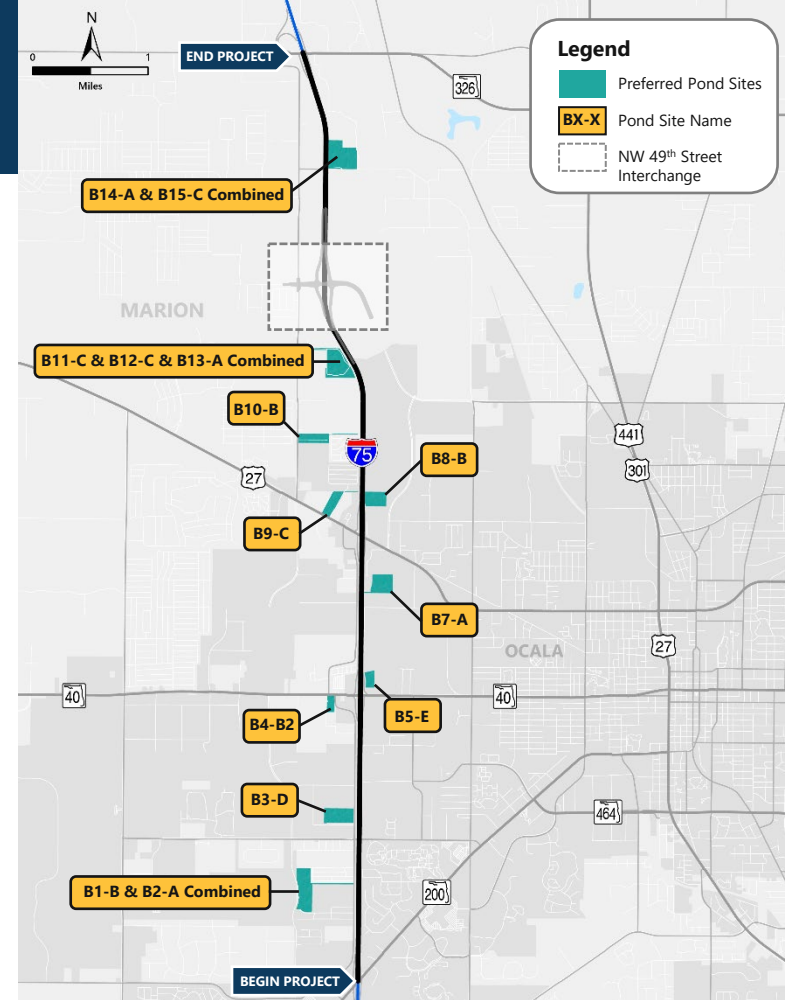
Why are stormwater ponds needed?



Stormwater Ponds

- Ten (10) preferred pond sites in fifteen (15) basins are proposed

Basin	Pond Name	Preferred Pond Size (acres)
1, 2	B1-B & B2-A Combined	29
3	B3-D	21
4	B4-B2	6
5, 6	B5-E	7
7	B7-A	19
8	B8-B	15
9	B9-C	12
10	B10-B	14
11, 12, 13	B11-C, B12-C & B13-A Combined	34
14, 15	B14-A & B15-C Combined	35
Total:		192



Environmental Considerations



Social

- Land Use
- Farmlands
- Aesthetics
- Mobility
- Consistency with Local Plans
- Relocations



Cultural

- Archaeological Sites
- Historic Properties
- Recreation and Section 4(f) Lands



Natural

- Wetlands & Other Surface Waters
- Water Quality
- Floodplains
- Protected Habitat and Species



Physical

- Air Quality
- Noise
- Contamination
- Utilities
- Navigation

Environmental Considerations

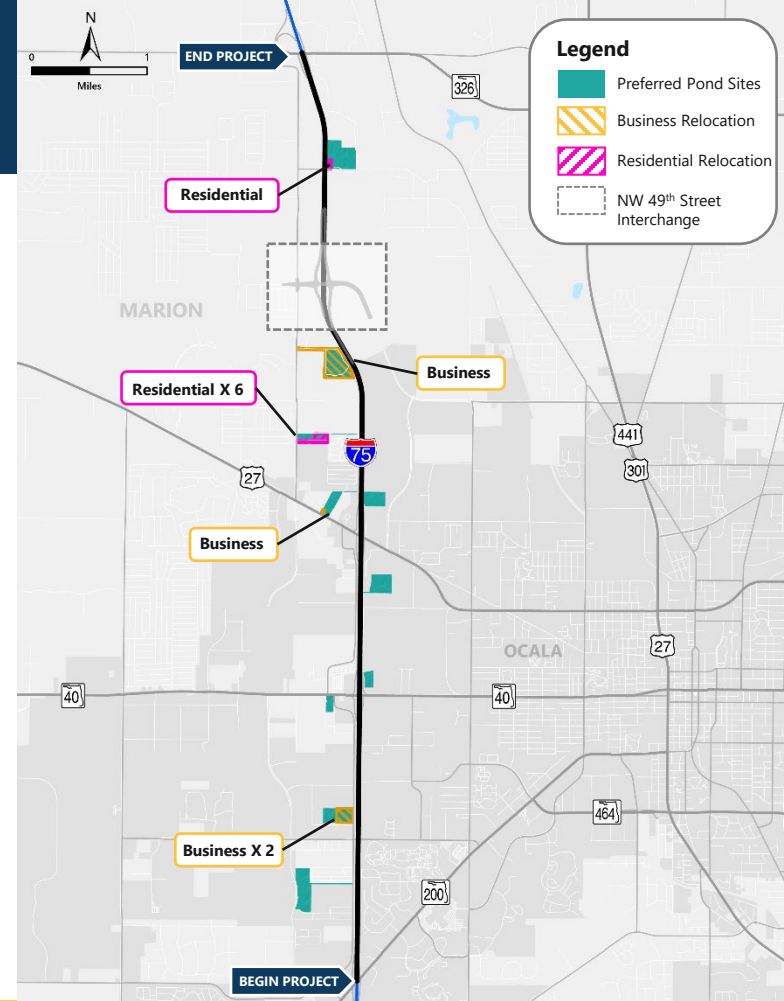


Evaluation Criteria	No-Build Alternative	Build Alternative
Social and Economic		
Number of Parcels Impacted	0	25
Number of Residential Relocations	0	7
Number of Business Relocations	0	4
Cultural Resources		
NRHP Eligible Archaeological Sites	0	0
NRHP Eligible Historic Sites	0	0
Natural Resources		
Wetlands (Acres)	0	0.3
Protected Species Occurrence Probability	None	Low
Floodplains (Acres)	0	2.42
Physical Resources		
Contamination Sites (Medium or High)	None	19
Noise Sensitive Sites Impacted	None	361
Utility Conflicts	None	Medium

Social: Relocations



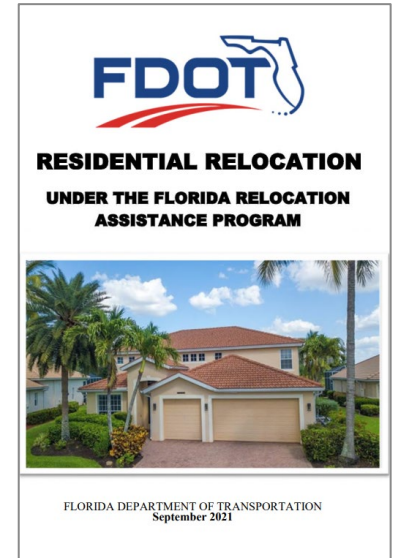
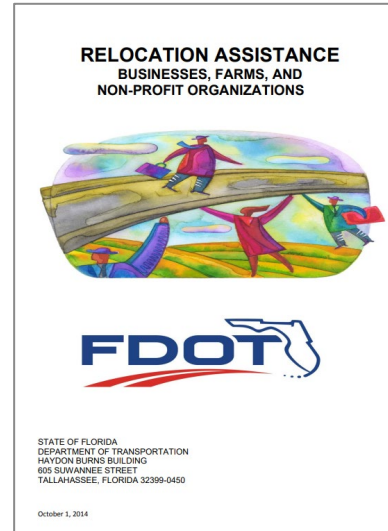
- No impact from the auxiliary lanes
- The preferred stormwater ponds have the potential to impact 25 parcels resulting in eleven (11) relocations
 - Four (4) businesses
 - Seven (7) residential relocations
- Right of Way Acquisition Process
 - Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Act of 1970



Social: Relocations



- Affected property owners contacted directly by FDOT staff
- Relocation advisory services available
- Relocation assistance brochures are available at:

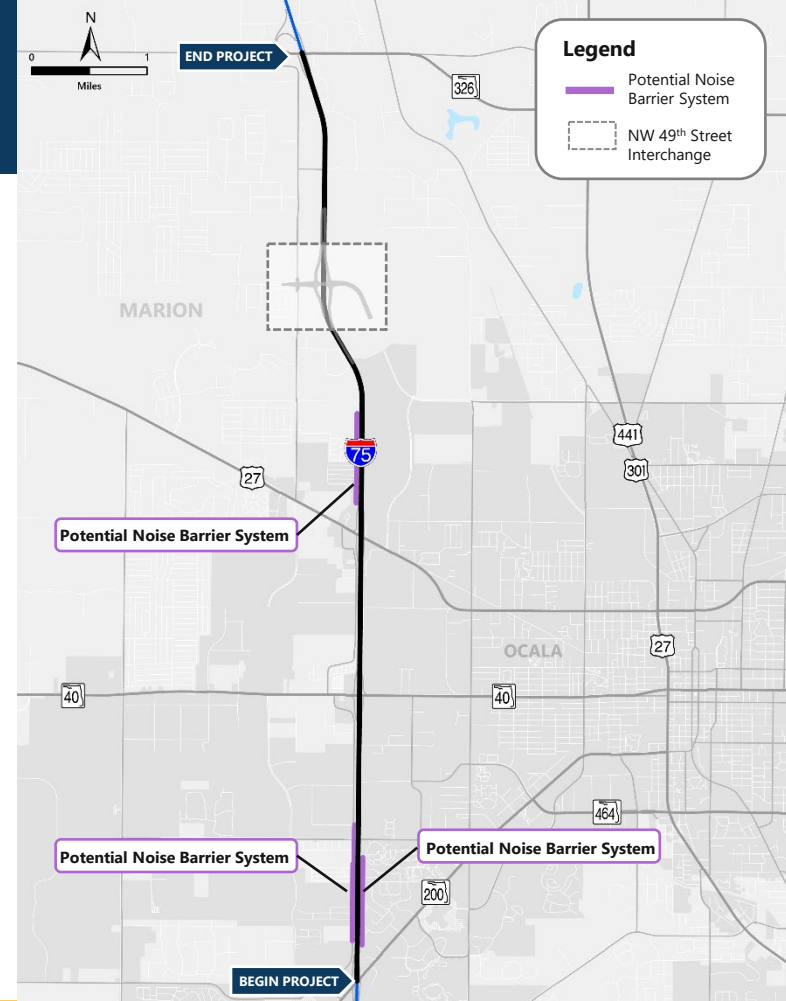


<https://www.fdot.gov/rightofway/documents.shtm>

Physical: Noise



- 361 impacted noise sensitive sites
- Three (3) potential noise barrier systems benefit residences



Estimated Project Costs



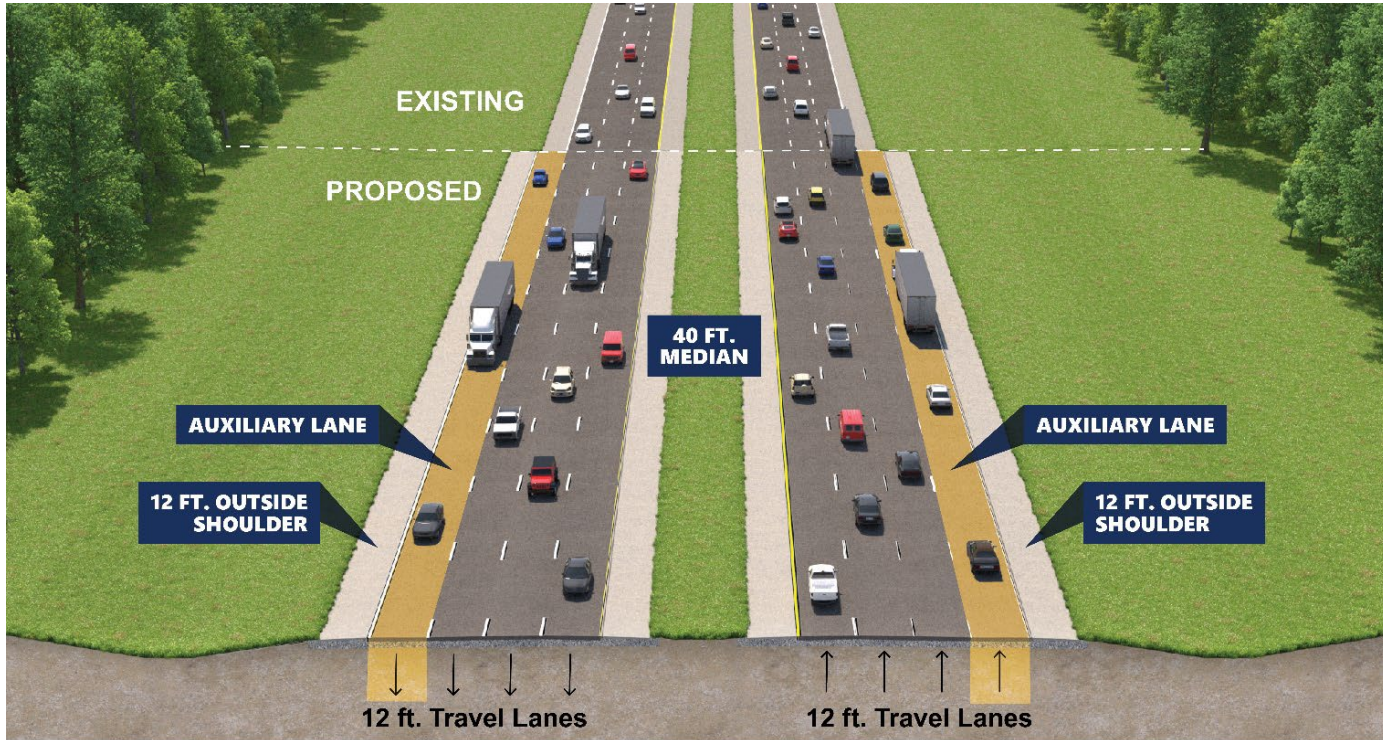
Evaluation Criteria	No-Build Alternative	Build Alternative
Estimated Costs in Millions (Present Day Costs)*		
Right of Way	\$0	\$37.0 M
Utilities	\$0	\$15.8 M
Construction Costs	\$0	\$93.5 M
Design	\$0	\$16.0 M
Construction Engineering Inspection (CEI)	\$0	\$9.8 M
Total Estimated Project Cost	\$0	\$172.1 M

**Project costs are subject to change*

Construction Spring 2025

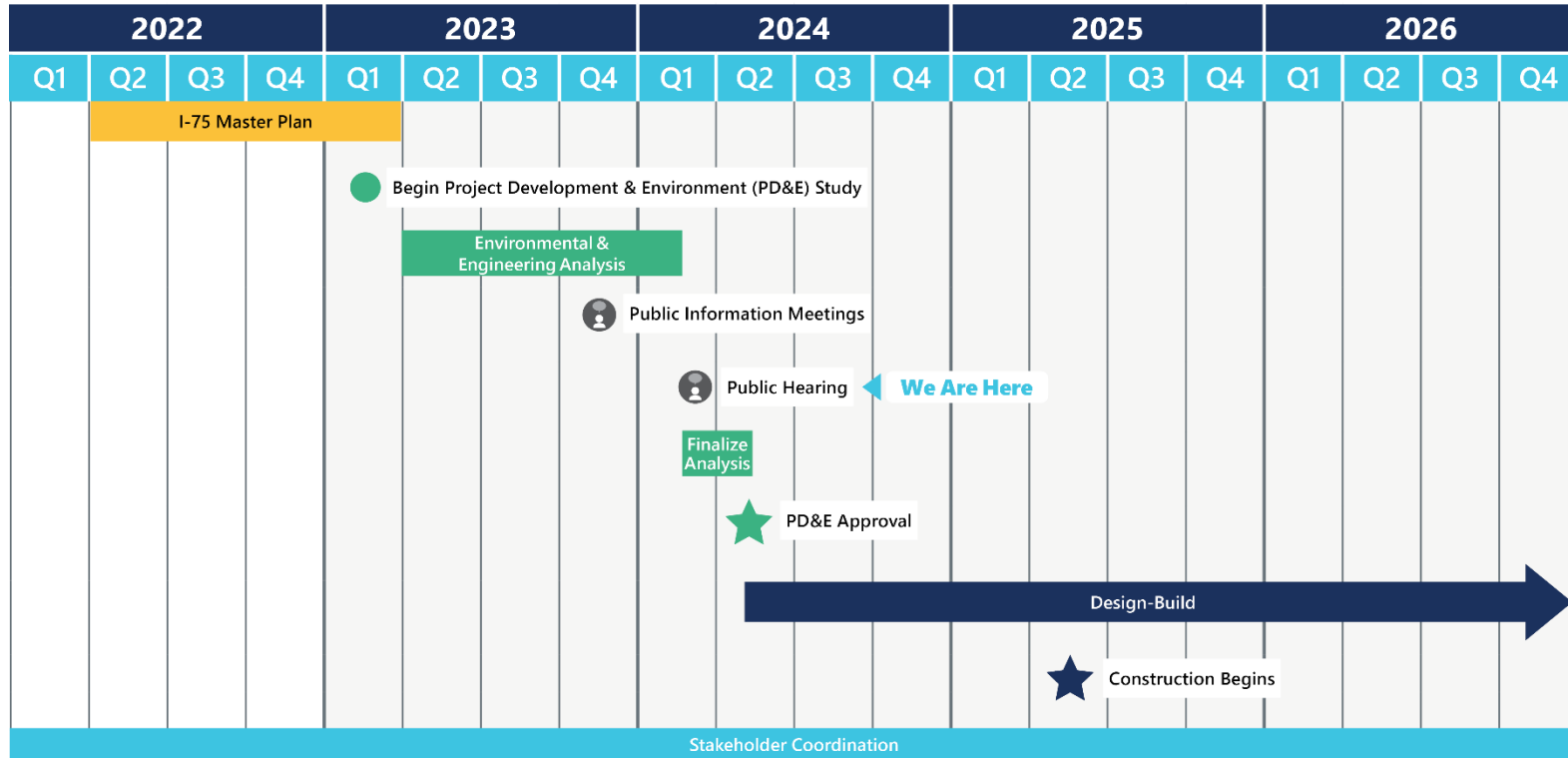
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Preferred Alternative



← Existing Right of Way: 300 ft. →

I-75 Improvements Schedule



Schedule is subject to change.

Stay Involved



In Person



Virtually



**Email or
Mail**



Phone

Comments received or postmarked by March 16th, 2024 will be included in the public hearing record.

Ways to Submit Comments



In Person



**Speak with project
team members**



**Submit a written
comment for the
hearing record**



**Provide your
comment directly to
the court reporter**

Other Ways to Submit Comments



Contact the Project Manager, David Graeber, P.E.



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Stay Informed



Visit www.CFLRoads.com to find the most up-to-date information.

Use project number 452074-1

The screenshot shows the FDOT website interface. At the top, there is a navigation menu with links for CFLRoads Home, Lane Closures, Construction Projects, Future Projects, News, and Resources. A search bar labeled "Search CFLRoads..." is present, followed by a "Go" button. Below the navigation is a welcome message: "Welcome to FDOT's District Five Projects Website". The main content area features a large photograph of a roundabout. Below the photo is a text box titled "Roundabouts 101: Learn about the benefits and proper use of roundabouts" with a "More..." link. To the right of the main content is a map of Florida with several counties highlighted in blue: Marion, Sumner, Lake, Seminole, Orange, Osceola, Brevard, Volusia, and Flagler. Two yellow callout boxes are overlaid on the screenshot: one pointing to the search bar with the text "Type the project number (452074-1) here" and another pointing to the "Go" button with the text "Click 'Go'".

Thank You for Participating



A graphic with a background image of a multi-level highway interchange. The text is overlaid on the image. At the top right, it says "VISION: A FATALITY-FREE ROADWAY SYSTEM" in red, bold, sans-serif font. In the center, "TARGET ZERO" is written in large, bold, purple letters, with a purple outline of the state of Florida inside the letter "O". Below "ZERO" is the text "FATALITIES & SERIOUS INJURIES" in a smaller, black, sans-serif font. At the bottom right of the graphic is the FDOT logo.

Please submit any questions or comment by March 16, 2024