SUN Trail Funding Fact Sheet

Spring-to-Spring Trail – Phase 3A

The Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail program awarded over $1.6 million for the construction of the DeBary section of the Spring-to-Spring Trail, known as Phase 3A, from Donald E. Smith and DeBary Plantation Boulevards northwest to near Detroit Terrace. Significant cost saving occurred; the project was completed for $837,575. The remaining $812,951 was reallocated to other SUN Trail projects. This 1.2-mile segment connects to the existing Spring-to-Spring Trail, where visitors can continue to Blue Spring State Park or beyond to Lake Beresford Park.

A public-private partnership and license agreement provided the ability to close this gap in the trail system. Made possible by Duke Energy, an electric power company, the new trail segment crosses their land. Duke Energy plans to construct a large solar farm nearby that will be visible by trail users. Duke Energy is also working with Pinellas county to close gaps in the SUN Trail network in Clearwater. Rails-to-Trails Conservancy provides more information about the benefits of co-locating trails and utility corridors.

Established during the 2015 legislative session and administered by the Florida Department of Transportation, the SUN Trail program receives an annual allocation from the redistribution of new vehicle tag revenues to expand the statewide system of paved multi-use trails (SUN Trail network) for bicyclists and pedestrians. The SUN Trail network is a refined version of the Florida Greenways and Trails System Plan's Land Trail Priority network. SUN Trail funded projects implement the Florida Transportation Plan's Policy Element by providing transportation choices that support quality places to live, learn, work and play; and transportation solutions that enhance Florida's environment and conserve energy. With more than 600 people moving to Florida each day and more than 126 million visiting each year, FDOT is dedicated to building a safe and efficient multimodal transportation infrastructure that will fit the diverse needs of its growing population for decades to come. The project is a contributing resource to the following networks:

- **St. Johns River-to-Sea Loop, which is a developing 260-mile regional trail system that will link the Tri-County Agritourism Corridor to the Space Coast.**
  See: river2sealoop.org
- **A complimentary route of the East Coast Greenway, which is a developing 3,000-mile national trail system that will link communities along the eastern seaboard from Key West, Florida to Calais, Maine.**
  See: www.greenway.org

St Johns River2Sea Loop

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To visit the trail or for more information, please contact:

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PROJECT AT-A-GLANCE

TRAIL

FDOT DISTRICT NUMBER: 5

CITY: DeBary

COUNTY: Volusia

WIDTH: 12 feet

LENGTH: 1.2 miles

SURFACE TYPE: Asphalt

PROJECT

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (ITEM) NUMBER: 439039-5

LIMITS: Donald E. Smith and DeBary Plantation Boulevards, northwest to near Detroit Terrace

CONSTRUCTION START: August 2018

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION: December 2018

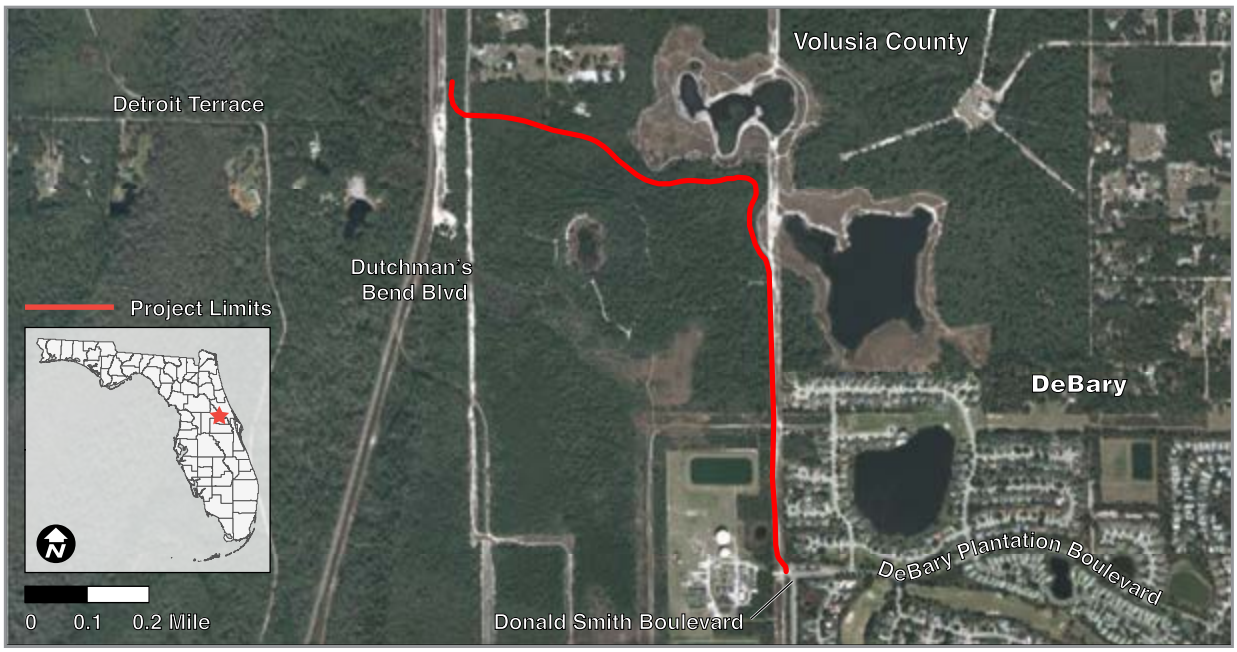
PHASE: Construction

FUNDING

FISCAL YEAR: 2018

AMOUNT: $837,575

Public-private partnerships offer promising opportunities for furthering Florida's SUN Trail network



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