SUN Trail Funding Fact Sheet

Starkey Trail

The Shared-Use Nonmotorized (SUN) Trail program provided nearly $2.8 million for this construction project, formerly known as the Starkey Gap – now the Starkey Trail. It completes Pasco county's last link of the Coast to Coast Trail (C2C). The developing C2C regional system will connect communities and destinations through Central Florida from the Gulf of Mexico to the Atlantic Ocean. Today, bicyclists and pedestrians may begin at Demens Landing Park in downtown St. Petersburg, and journey over 80 miles along the C2C to Hernando county's Suncoast Trail, and beyond; another 100 miles of the C2C exists in segments to Titusville.

The Starkey Trail closes the 2.4-mile gap between the segment along Starkey Boulevard in the community of Trinity and the Tri-County Trail at the Pasco and Pinellas county line. A portion of the project is along a Duke Energy (an electric power company) high-tension utility line. Public-private partnerships offer promising opportunities for furthering trail connectivity. The 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. This project improves Florida's transportation system. It enhances access between community features including businesses and natural areas.

To learn about the Coast to Coast Trail, see: C2Ctrail.com

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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: 7

CITY: Trinity

COUNTY: Pasco

WIDTH: 12 feet

LENGTH: 2.4 miles

SURFACE TYPE: Asphalt

PROJECT

FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT (ITEM) NUMBER: 435719-1

LIMITS: From the Pasco and Pinellas county line to the intersection of Starkey Boulevard and Town Avenue/Lake Blanche Drive

CONSTRUCTION START: July 2018

CONSTRUCTION COMPLETION: January 2020

PHASE: Construction and Construction Engineering Inspections

Pasco county completes a critical link of the Coast to Coast Trail by successfully coordinating public and private partners

FUNDING

FISCAL YEAR: 2018

AMOUNT: $2,798,668 was awarded by the SUN Trail program. Within the project boundary, an additional $2,063,109 was provided by FDOT and federal sources beginning in 2014.

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