Stakeholder Meeting

FPIDs 444008-1-32-01 444008-1-32-02

Presented: February 25, 2020

I-75/SR 93 from Broward County Line to Toll Booth in Collier County



Stakeholder Introductions



- FDOT
 - ITS system
 - Maintenance
 - District 4
- Collier County
 - Sheriff's Office District 2
 - Wildfire/Emergency access at Everglades Boulevard
- SFWMD
 - L-28 Interceptor Canal access
- Florida Highway Patrol Troop F
 - Median crossovers
 - Other
- Ochopee Fire Control District Station No. 63
 - Median crossovers
 - Other
- Road Rangers
 - Median crossovers
 - Other

- Collier County Rest Area
 - Keep open during MOT
- Florida's Turnpike Enterprise
 - Toll booth operations during MOT
- DBI Services interstate maintenance
 - Other
- Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge
 - Access
- Big Cypress Wildlife Management Area
 - Access
- L-28 Interceptor Canal boat ramp
 - Maintain access during MOT
- Florida Forest Service
 - Other
- Miccosukee/Seminole Indian Tribe
 - Notification

Project Purpose and Need



- Resurface I-75 from Broward County Line to Toll Booth
 - Extend the service life of the pavement
 - Crash review and improve safety
 - Correct deficiencies
- FPID 444008-1 Resurfacing
 - Travel lanes and paved shoulders
 - New ITS fiber optic line
- FPID 444008-2 Safety
 - Widen median paved shoulders
 - Median crossover evaluation
 - Median cable barrier at reverse curves
 - Guardrail updates
 - Curve warning signs
 - Loop activated "Trucks Entering Highway" signs



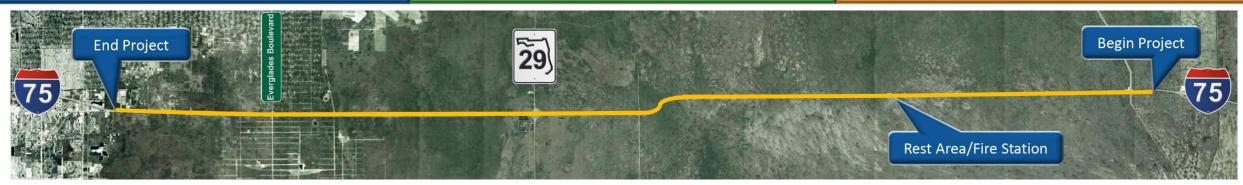
Extend Pavement Life



Median Crossovers

History





- SIS roadway
- Evacuation route
 - Emergency shoulder use
- Toll booth
- Interchanges
 - SR 29
 - Rest area/fire station
- Ramps
 - Everglades Boulevard
 - Recreation areas (former rest stop sites)
 - Boat ramp



- Other access
 - Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge
 - L-28 Interceptor Canal
 - American cell tower

Recent/Current Improvements



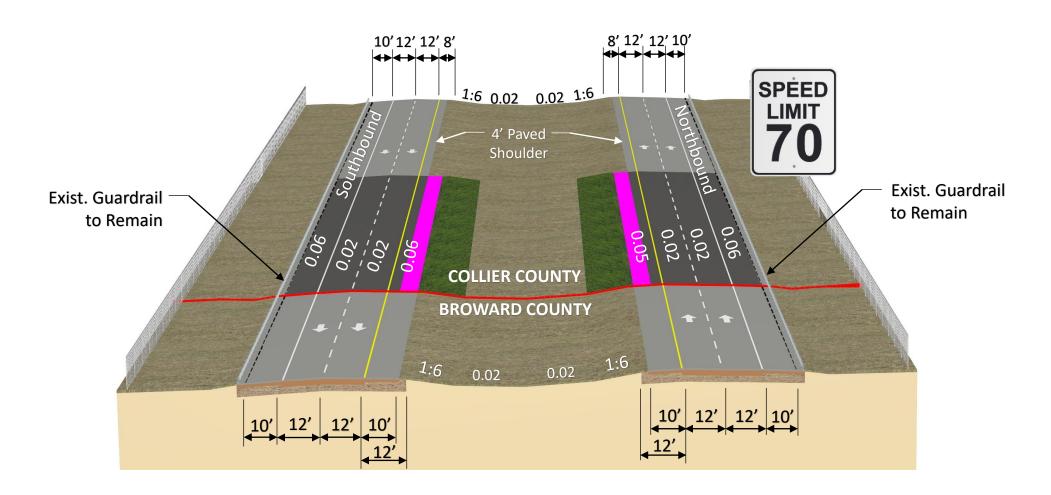
- SR 29 Interchange Lighting
 - FPID 435265-1
 - Complete
- Hurricane Irma Fence Replacement
 - FPID 442788-1
 - Ongoing, complete May 2020
- Maintenance Update



Proposed Typical Section



- Mill and resurface travel lanes and paved shoulders
- Save existing 4' inside shoulder pavement
- Widen inside shoulders to 12', 10' paved



Median Crossovers





- **Deficient Median Crossover Locations**
- Existing median crossover locations
- Deficient (<300' to structure)
 - Turnback Slough
 - Wildlife Crossing #14
 - Wildlife Crossing #19
 - Wilson Cypress Canal Crossing
- AASHTO requires minimum 1,500' from any structure
- Not located within 1.5 miles of interchange, FDM Section 211.3.2
- Where continuous median barrier is present, crossovers should not be greater than five miles apart, FDM Section 211.3.2
 - Wet ditches preventing vehicles from turning around in median act as "median barrier" throughout corridor

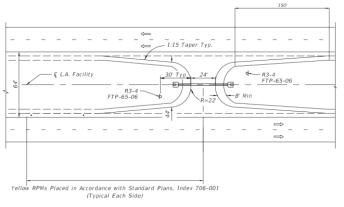


Median Crossovers





Relocated/Proposed Median Crossover Locations



- 1,500'

 Relocated Crossover
- Existing median crossover locations (to remain)
- Deficient locations (to be relocated)
- Relocated locations
- ▲ New locations
 - Reduce emergency response time
 - Improved sight distance
 - Together with median paved shoulders widening will provide acceleration and deceleration distances
 - Use AutoTurn to ensure accommodation of fire trucks

High Tension Cable Barrier



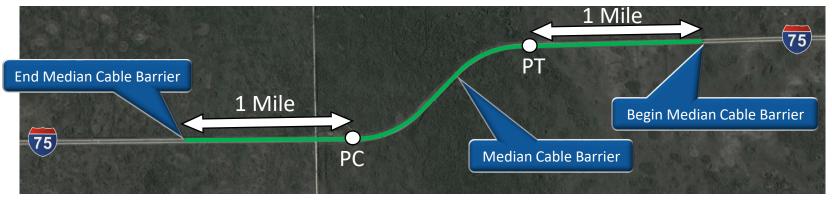
Issues

- Existing median barrier only at SR 29 interchange
- 25% of median crossover crashes occurred within 1 mile of reverse curves

Recommendations

- Install median cable barrier through reverse curves
 - 1 mile in advance of reverse curves

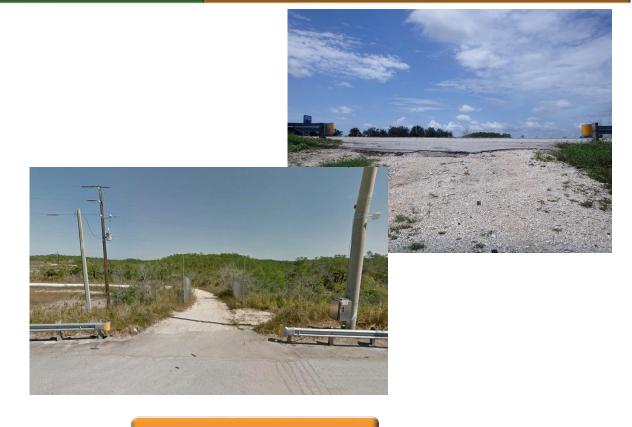




Reverse Curves



- L-28 Interceptor Canal
 - NB and SB turnout at MP 0.90
 - SFWMD maintenance access
 - Miccosukee and Seminole Tribe access
 - Residential access
- Replace turnouts due to drop off and erosion
- Improve profile
- Loop activated "trucks entering highway" sign with flashing beacon



L-28 Interceptor Canal

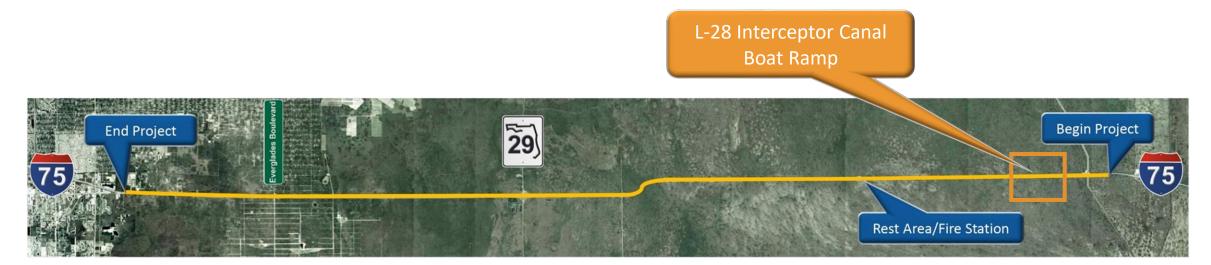
Begin Project

Rest Area/Fire Station



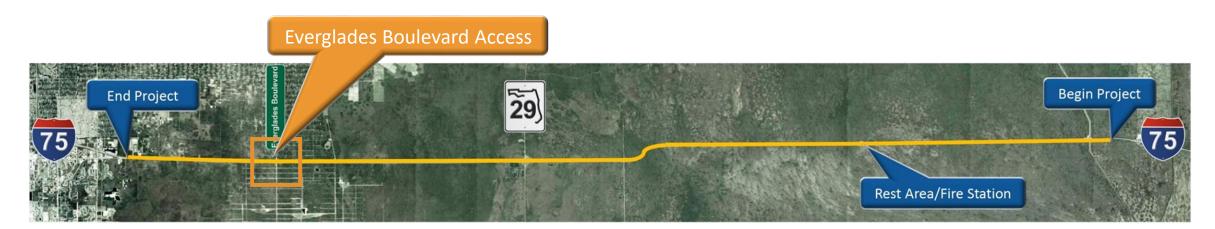
- L-28 Interceptor Canal boat ramp
 - NB on-ramps and off-ramps
- Monitor no affect anticipated







- Everglades Boulevard Access
 - NB on-ramp gated with keypad access
 - SB off-ramp gated with padlock
 - County prefers permanent access
- Monitor no affect anticipated
 - On/off ramp usage?





- Florida Panther National Wildlife Refuge turnout
 - Maintenance access
 - Gated with padlock
- Relocate gate?
- Loop activated "truck entering highway" sign with flashing beacon







- Big Cypress Wildlife Management Area
 - Original rest area sites
 - Low volume use
- Restrict truck access to rear parking area?



Big Cypress Wildlife

End Project

End Project

Rest Area/Fire Station

Rest Area/Fire Station

Enhanced Wildlife Crossings

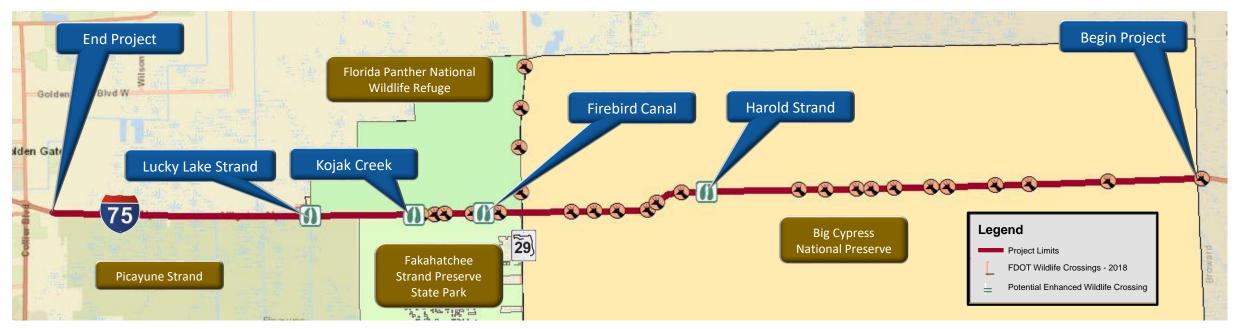


- Retrofit existing bridge
- Pursue enhanced crossing at Lucky Lake Strand



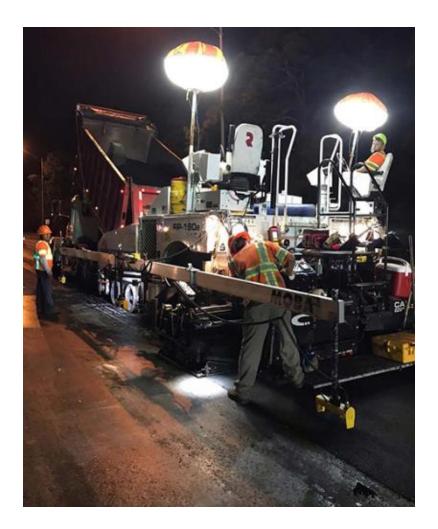
Recently Constructed Enhanced Wildlife Crossing at Miller Canal







- TCP Level I
- Maximize lane closure times
 - Nighttime lane closures for milling and resurfacing
 - Motorist Awareness System (MAS)
 - Speed and law enforcement officer
 - Suspend work during evacuations





Toll Plaza

- Coordinate with toll plaza
- Close strategic toll lanes
- Account for paving train
- Additional message signs will be provided to clearly communicate to motorists

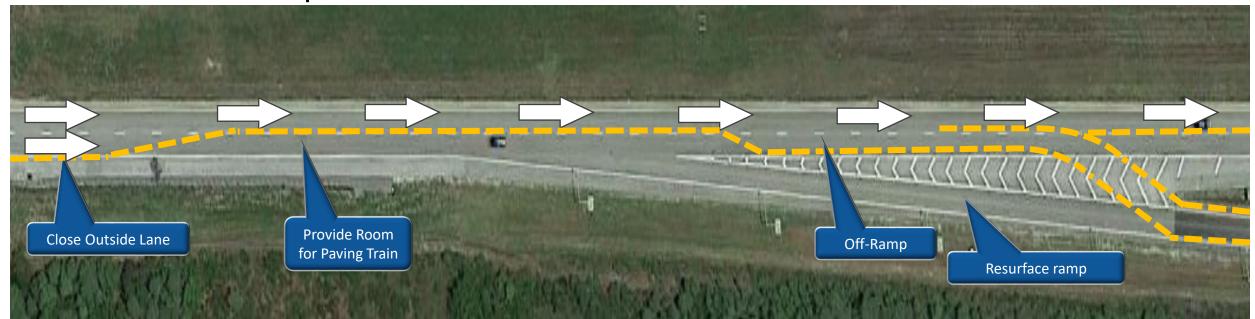






Resurfacing ramps

- Typical off-ramp
 - SR 29 interchange
 - ➤ Maintain access to SR 29
 - Collier County Rest Area/fire station
 - > Keep rest area open at all times
- No detours anticipated

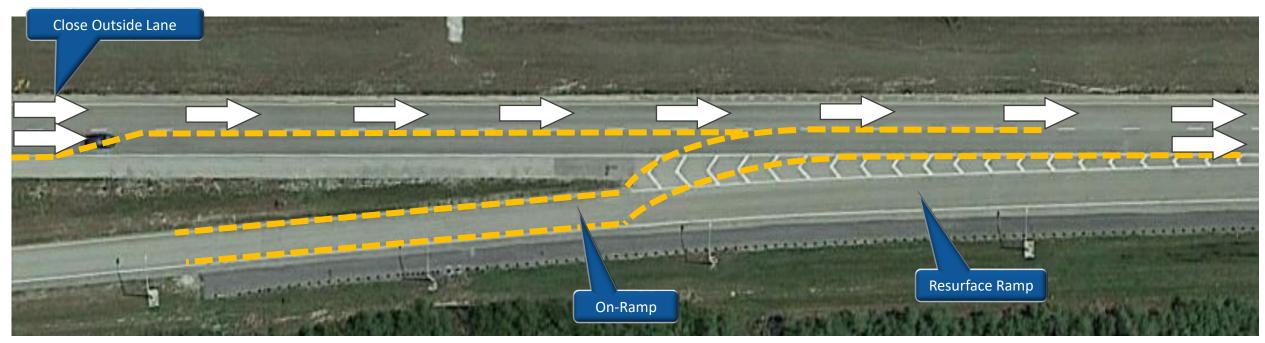


Off-Ramp



Resurfacing ramps

- Typical on-ramp
 - SR 29 interchange
 - Collier County Rest Area/fire station



On-Ramp

Project Schedule



- First Stakeholder Meeting
 - February 25, 2020
- Phase II (60%) Plans
 - **July 2020**
- Second Stakeholder Meeting
 - September 2020
- Phase IV (100%) Plans
 - January 2021
- Final Plans
 - April 2021
- Letting (contract awarded)
 - July 2021 (subject to change)

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