



# SR 9/I-95 Interchange at Woolbright Road Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study

Palm Beach County, Florida  
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Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) Number: 14341



Looking north along I-95 just south of the Woolbright Road interchange

## Project Description

The Interchange of I-95 at Woolbright Road is located in Palm Beach County in the City of Boynton Beach. The project limits along I-95 extend from just south of Woolbright Road at SW 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue to just north of Woolbright Road about 2,000-ft north of the interchange. The project limits along Woolbright Road extend from the E-4 Canal on the west to just east of I-95 at SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street. The project area includes the signalized intersections at SW 8<sup>th</sup> Street, and the I-95 southbound and northbound ramps. The South Florida Rail Corridor (SFRC)/CSX Railroad is adjacent to the project corridor and runs parallel along the west side of I-95. Tri-Rail operates along this rail corridor, with the nearest station; Boynton Beach Tri-Rail Station located 2.68 miles to the north of Woolbright Road, just north of the Gateway Boulevard interchange.



Within the project limits, I-95 is a ten-lane divided interstate freeway providing four general purpose lanes and one high occupancy vehicle (HOV) lane in each direction. The project will be designed to complement the I-95 interim interchange design-build project recently completed, which constructed one additional left-turn lane onto I-95 in both the eastbound and westbound directions; a free-flow right-turn lane from the southbound off-ramp; and designated bicycle lanes along Woolbright Road within the limits of the interchange.

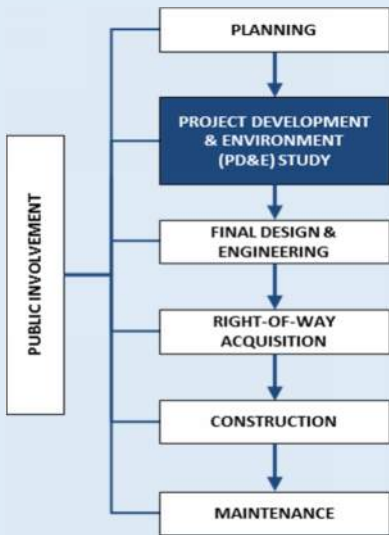
Woolbright Road is currently a six-lane urban divided minor arterial to the west of I-95 and a four-lane urban divided minor arterial to the east of I-95. There is a raised median from SW 18<sup>th</sup> Street west of I-95 to just west of SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street east of I-95. At SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Woolbright Road transitions to a five-lane roadway section with a two-way left-turn lane in the middle. There are sidewalks on both sides of Woolbright Road throughout the project area and designated bicycle lanes within the limits of the interchange.



# What is a PD&E Study?

A Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study is a process conducted by the FDOT to determine the environmental, social and economic impacts that are associated with proposed transportation improvements. The process, mandated by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), is a combined effort by professional engineers, planners, environmental scientists and others who analyze the project-related information to develop the best alternative for a community's transportation needs.

## Project Phases



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## Website

[www.fdot.gov/project/95atWoolbright.com](http://www.fdot.gov/project/95atWoolbright.com)

# Project Need

The purpose of the study is to address traffic spillback onto I-95, reduce congestion on I-95 and Woolbright Road, improve interchange operations, and improve safety at the I-95 and Woolbright Road interchange through the 2045 design year horizon.



Looking west along Woolbright Road at the I-95 on/off ramps west of the interchange



Looking east along Woolbright Road at the I-95 on/off ramps east of the interchange

## Federal-State Partnership

The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated December 14, 2016 and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.

## Project Schedule

This project began in November 2018. During the development of the study there will be a comprehensive public involvement program, which will consist of several meetings with the public as well as with governmental agencies, elected officials, and other interested parties. The PD&E Study is anticipated to be completed in 2021.

ACTIVITY	2018			2019					2020					2021							
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Notice to Proceed	●																				
Fact Sheet/Newsletter																					
Elected Officials/Agency Kick-Off Meeting																					
Public Kick-Off Meeting																					
Engineering Data Collection																					
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Public Hearing																					
Office of Environmental Management (OEM)																					
Location and Design Concept Acceptance (LDCA)																					★
Continuous Public Involvement																					

A continuous community outreach process is integrated into every step of the project to ensure that the corridor residents, businesses, the traveling public, and other interested parties have meaningful participation in the process. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.