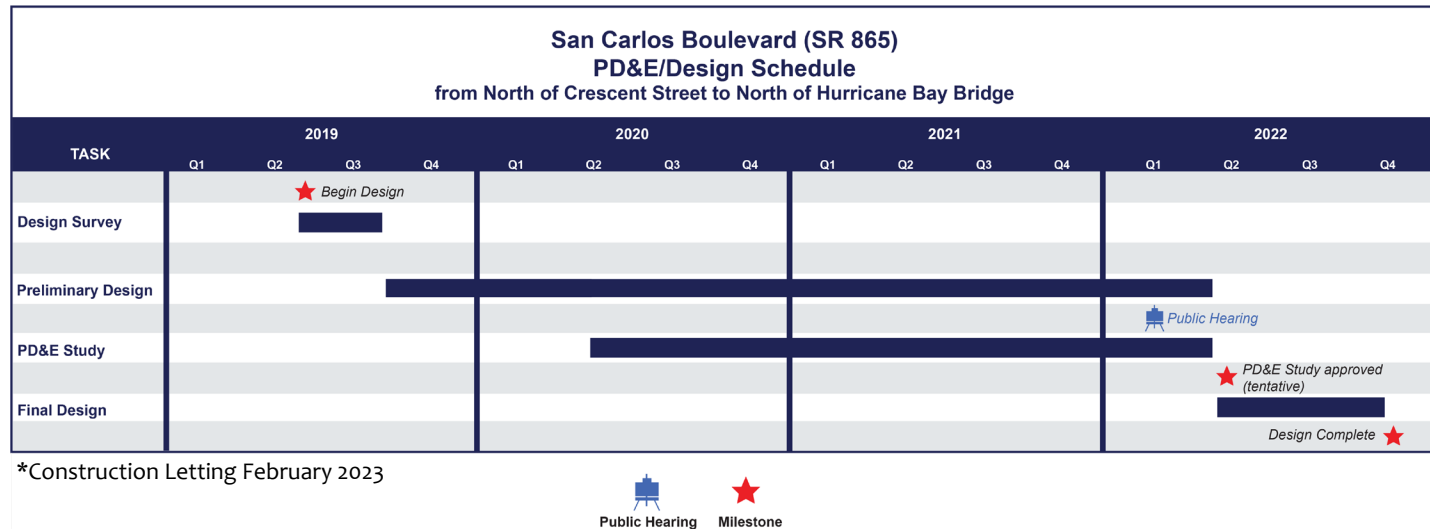
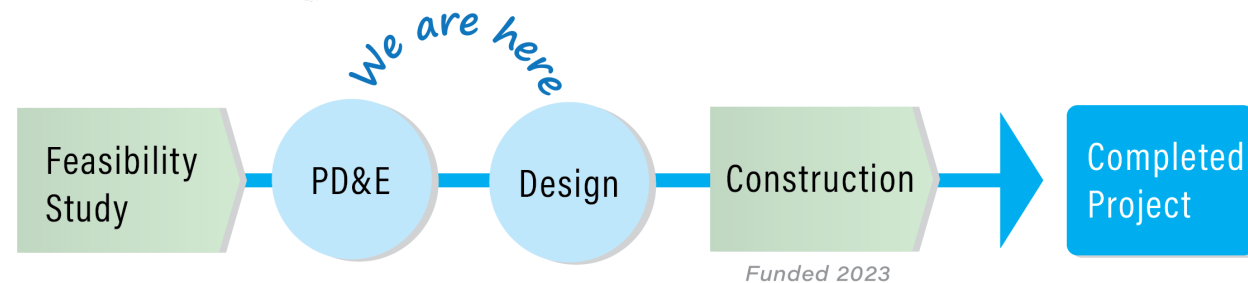


Project Schedule



Transportation Development Process



You may share your comments about the project in several ways:

1. Complete a speaker card available at the sign-in table and make an oral comment at the microphone, or by using GoToWebinar during the formal comment portion of the hearing.
2. Make an oral statement to the court reporter during the informal portion of the hearing.
3. Complete a comment form and place it in the comment box at the hearing or mail to **Richard Oujevolk, P.E.**, FDOT Project Manager, 801 N. Broadway Ave., Bartow FL 33830.
4. Email comments to the FDOT Project Manager, Richard.Oujevolk, P.E., at Richard.Oujevolk@dot.state.fl.us

All comments must be postmarked by February 17, 2022, to be included as part of the public hearing record.

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Additional Project Information:

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns about Title VI may do so by contacting Cynthia Sykes, District One Title VI Coordinator, 801 N. Broadway Ave., Bartow, Florida 33830, call (863)519-2287, or via email at Cynthia.Sykes@dot.state.fl.us. 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 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.



San Carlos Boulevard (SR 865) Public Hearing

Project Development & Environment Study

Financial Project IDs: 433726-2-32-01

Thursday, February 3, 2022



Project Location Map

Project Goals

1. Increase safety and improve operational efficiency for all modes of transportation along a congested corridor
2. Improve bicycle and pedestrian connectivity

Agenda

5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Open-House

6:00 p.m. Public Hearing and Testimony

Date: Thursday February 3, 2022

Location: 100 Chapel Street,
Fort Myers Beach, FL 33931
Chapel by the Sea
Presbyterian Church



The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study to analyze the existing characteristics, evaluate the community needs and impacts, and develop proposed conceptual improvements for San Carlos Boulevard (SR 865) from north of Crescent Street to north of Hurricane Pass Bridge, also known as Hurricane Bay Bridge, a distance of approximately 1.2 miles.

The primary purpose of the San Carlos Boulevard mobility improvement project is to provide additional travel options on a congested corridor, especially during the peak tourist season (January - April). The proposed project is also intended to promote emphasis for alternative transportation use and increase public transit ridership. The project will also enhance mobility and safety for vehicular and non-vehicular transportation and increase accessibility and connections between community points of interest

FDOT will also be seeking public input concerning the transfer of jurisdiction of the portion of San Carlos Boulevard (SR 865) from north of Estero Boulevard to Fifth Street to the Lee County Road System. The ownership of this roadway would transfer from State to County jurisdiction.

What is a PD&E Study?

A Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study is the formal process that develops and compares alternatives to determine a preferred action that meets project needs, while minimizing impacts to the social, natural, and physical environments. Engaging the public by sharing and receiving information is a key component of this process and required by the National Environmental Policy Act.

This hearing is being held to give interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the location, conceptual design, and social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed project. Maps, drawings and other information depicting the proposed improvements will be available for public review at the hearing. Representatives from FDOT will be available to discuss proposed improvements, answer questions, and receive comments.

Preferred Alternative



Recommendation

During the course of the PD&E Study, FDOT has evaluated various alternatives for this project. These alternatives were presented to the public for review and comment at the Alternatives Meeting held February 27, 2018. Based on public input and the results of the environmental analysis conducted, FDOT is recommending the Preferred Alternative be advanced to the design phase, and ultimately constructed. The proposed typical sections, which are visual representations of the basic configuration of the proposed roadway, are provided on the next page.

Proposed Work at Crescent Beach Park

FDOT is proposing to use the northern perimeter of Crescent Beach Park for a new LeeTran Bus Bay. As part of the project development process and in accordance with Section 4(f) of the Department of Transportation Act of 1966, FDOT is seeking a de minimis finding which confirms that impacts to park activities, features, and attributes are minimal. This hearing provides the opportunity for public comment on this proposed finding.

Evaluation Matrix

	No Build Alternative	Preferred Alternative
Potential Business and Residential Relocations		
Number of Business Impacts (parcels)	0	0
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Number of Residential Impacts (parcels)	0	0
Number of Residential Relocations	0	0
Number of Outdoor Advertising Sign Relocations	0	0
Natural/Cultural/Physical Environmental Effects		
Archaeological Sites (potential impacts - high, medium, or low)	N/A	None
Historical Sites (potential impacts - high, medium, or low)	N/A	Low
Number of Section 4(f) Sites	0	1
Number of Noise Sensitive Sites Impacted	0	5
Direct Wetland Impacts (acres)	0	0
Secondary Wetland Impacts (acres)	0	0
Surface Water Impacts (acres)	0	0
Floodplain Impacts (acres)	0	0
Threatened and Endangered Species (potential impacts - high, medium, or low)	N/A	Low
Number of Contaminated Sites (rated low, medium or high for potential impacts)	N/A	5 Low / 1 Medium / 7 High
Cost Estimates		
Construction	\$0	\$7,990,163
Final Design (12% of Construction)	\$0	\$958,820
Construction Engineering Inspection (12% of Construction)	\$0	\$995,820
Right-of-Way	\$0	\$0
Wetland Mitigation	\$0	\$0
Total Estimated Costs	\$0	\$9,907,803

Preferred Alternative

Typical Section (Matanzas Pass Bridge)

Includes converting transit only lane into a general use lane and sidewalk to a shared-use path



Preferred Alternative

Typical Section (San Carlos Boulevard (SR 865))

Includes restriping road to include bike lines on both sides of San Carlos Boulevard. Existing sidewalks to remain



Preferred Alternative

Typical Section (Hurricane Pass Bridge)

Includes modifying existing bridge to include bike lanes on both sides of the road and constructing a barrier-protected sidewalk

