

## I-75/University Parkway Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)



### ABOUT THE PROJECT

Construction of Florida's first Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) begins in August, 2015 at I-75 and University Parkway in Sarasota/Bradenton. This innovative design offers a proven solution for improving overall traffic operations and safety for motorists, cyclists and pedestrians. In addition, studies of existing DDIs show a significant reduction of major crashes, an overall reduction in delay times, and an increase in overall capacity. The DDI will be operational in September 2017. The contractor is Prince Contracting, LLC and construction cost is \$74.5 million.

Improvements on this project include:

- Construction of Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI)
- Addition of an auxiliary lane on northbound and southbound I-75
- Construction of new bridges on I-75 over University Pkwy.
- Widening of University Pkwy. from Cattlemen Rd./Cooper Creek Blvd. to Market St./Lake Osprey Dr.
- Sidewalks, bike lanes, and pedestrian walkways
- Widening of I-75 bridges over Errie Creek and Foley Creek
- Realignment of on-ramps and off-ramps at the interchange
- Ponds and drainage improvements
- New lighting and signalization
- Construction of noise wall on west side of I-75 north of Fruitville Rd.

### WHAT TO EXPECT DURING CONSTRUCTION

- Daytime and nighttime construction activities will take place throughout the duration of the project
- Temporary nighttime lane closures and traffic shifts on I-75 and University Pkwy.
- Access to businesses will be maintained at all times
- Temporary detour route(s)
- Increased congestion at various times

## Questions?

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