



Cortez Road (SR 684) Safety Improvements Project
 Florida Department of Transportation
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**CORTEZ ROAD (SR 684)
 SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT**
 FROM EAST OF 123RD STREET WEST TO WEST OF 86TH STREET WEST

MANATEE COUNTY

NEWSLETTER 1

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JOIN US FOR A PUBLIC HEARING ON TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2017

The Cortez Road (SR 684) Safety Improvements Project from east of 123rd Street West to west of 86th Street West is in the design phase and is intended to improve safety by:

- Reducing crashes by minimizing vehicular conflict points and applying a high friction surface treatment
- Improving eastbound traffic flow from barrier island
- Installing bike lanes to separate bike traffic from vehicular traffic

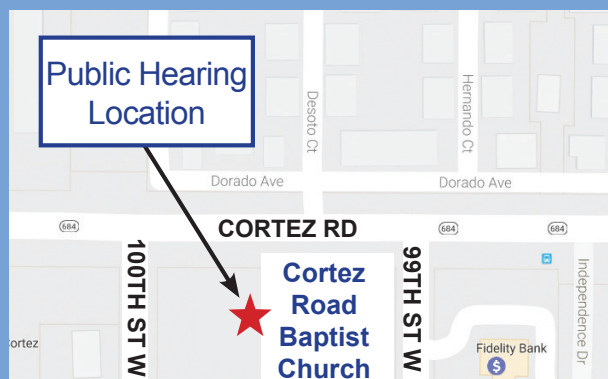
The safety improvements will include construction of a median from the West Manatee Fire and Rescue Station to Royal Palm Drive West to reduce vehicular conflict points. Other improvements include the construction of bike lanes, use of a high friction surface treatment to provide a better gripping surface for vehicles to reduce skidding, and Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) modifications.



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PUBLIC HEARING

Time: 5 p.m. - open house
 6 p.m. - formal presentation
 Date: Tuesday, May 9, 2017
 Place: Cortez Road Baptist Church
 4411 100th Street West
 Bradenton, FL 34210



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Visit the project website at:
www.swflroads.com/sr684/123rdstto86thst

Corridor Collision Data: January 2011 to December 2015

Number of crashes	Percentage of crashes	77 Collisions reported along the corridor
32	41%	rear-end crashes
11	14%	angle crashes
11	14%	sideswipe crashes
8	10%	left-turn crashes
9	12%	run-off-road crashes
4	5%	bicycle related crashes
2	3%	pedestrian related crashes

**Out of these 77 collisions:
 4 Fatalities
 29 Crashes with injuries**

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Options for the Cortez Road (SR 684) at 119th Street West Intersection

The four options for the intersection at Cortez Road (SR 684) at 119th Street West are as follows:

- Option A: Leave the signal as it currently operates.
- Option B: Remove the signal and restripe the roadway from the 119th Street West (south leg) to the existing median east of the intersection as a two-way left turn lane.
- Option C: Eliminate the eastbound left turn from Cortez Road onto north 119th Street West and eliminate the northbound left turn from 119th Street West to westbound Cortez Road. Provide a left turn lane for westbound Cortez Road onto southbound 119th Street West. This option also provides an acceleration lane for southbound 119 Street West to eastbound Cortez Road. (See Option C below.)
- Option D: Realign the south leg of 119th Street West intersection to match the north leg. (See Option D below.) *This option requires approval to use county property.*

Option C - New Median from 121st Street Court West to 119th Street West



Option D - Realign the south leg of 119th Street West

