



US Highway 17 (SR 35)

Between the Hardee/Desoto County Line and Sweetwater Road/CR 634
Hardee County, Florida

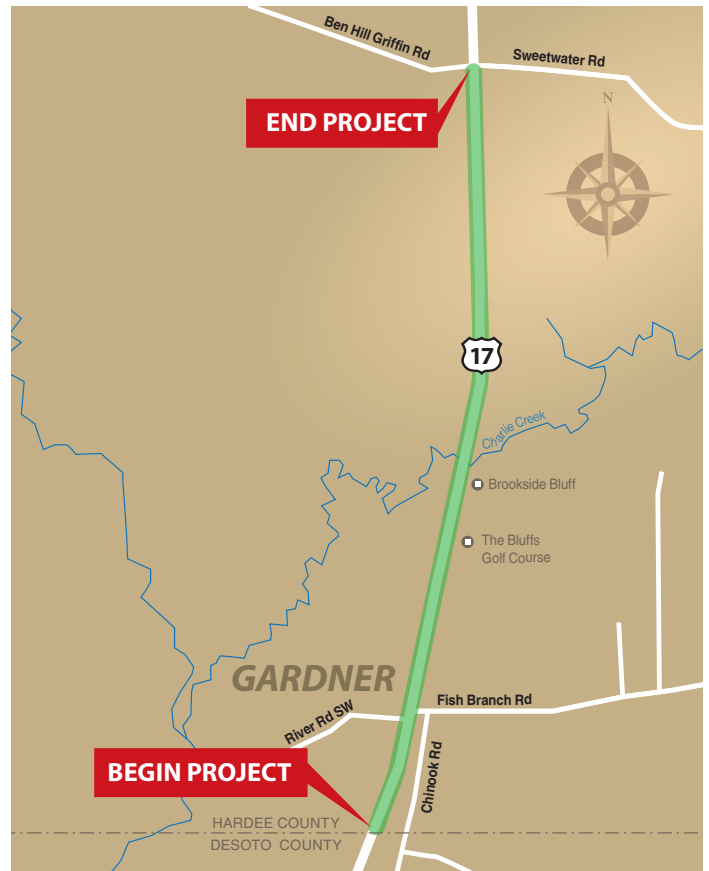


Financial Project ID: 414547-1-52-01

The Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) contractor, Watson Civil Construction, will make improvements to US 17 (SR 35) from the Desoto / Hardee County line to Sweetwater Road (CR 634) in Hardee County, Florida. Improvements include widening the roadway from two lanes to four lanes, and building new two-lane bridges over Charlie Creek and Charlie Creek Overflow. The contractor will also install new roadside drainage swales and stormwater ponds to manage water running off the roadway. A 64-foot wide grassed median will be built to separate the northbound and southbound lanes. Driveways may be modified in slope to accommodate the new alignment and higher roadway. Property owners will have access to US 17 during construction. The expected completion date is summer 2018.

Lane closures: Motorists should expect minimal lane closures. If necessary, flaggers will direct traffic around the work zone. The contractor will maintain access to businesses and residents at all times.

Median Openings: Full Median Openings – northbound and southbound left turn lanes from US 17 to side streets and left turn opportunities from side streets onto US 17.



• Tennessee St. (existing to remain)	• Bluffs Golf Course	• Bronco Drive
• Oak Lane	• Brookside Bluff Entrance	• Sweetwater Rd. (CR 634) (existing to remain)
• Fish Branch Road	• Private Drive – 7045 US 17	

Construction start:
Mid-September 2016

Anticipated completion:
Summer 2018

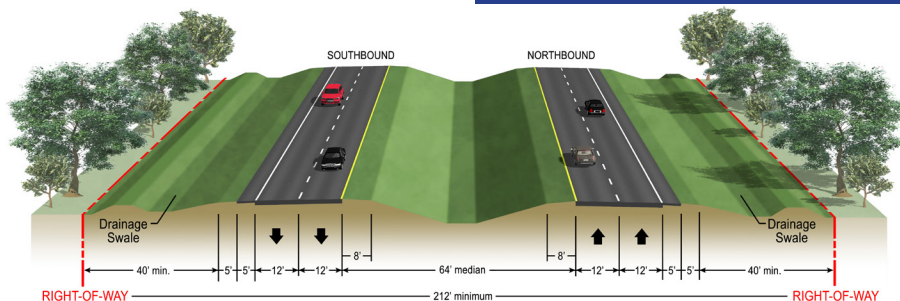
Project Cost:
\$23.5 million

Directional Median Opening – northbound left turn lane from US 17 to:

- Secure Public Storage Entrance

Directional Median Opening – southbound left turn lane from US 17 to:

- WZZS Radio Station (106.9)



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