Southwest Florida
Florida Department of Transportation

Florida Heartland Regional Trail - Highlands County 455296-1

Project Details	
Work Type	Bike Path
Phase	Planning
Limits	From the Glades County Line to the Hardee County Line
Length	60 miles
City	Lake Placid Sebring
County	Highlands
Road	SR 70 US 27 US 98

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About

In 2024, FDOT completed the *Collier to Polk Trail Master Plan* to evaluate a paved, multiuse trail for bicyclists and pedestrians from Collier County to Polk County. The *Master Plan* included preliminary routing alternatives and associated recommendations to develop the project as a regionally significant trail within the Florida Shared-Use Non-motorized (SUN) Trail Network. The *Master Plan* set the stage to conduct PD&E studies for what is now called the Florida Heartland Regional Trail.

The Highlands County Feasibility Study will develop and evaluate the trail alignments identified in the Master Plan extending from the Glades County line to the Hardee County line. The map to the right shows the potential trail alignments through Highlands County, Lake Placid, and the City of Sebring. The alignments generally follow United States 27, State Road (S.R.) 70, S.R. 66, and other county and local roads possibly connecting to Devane Park, Stuart Park, the Lake Placid Historical Society, Archbold Biological Station, Platt Branch Wildlife Environmental Area, Lake June-in-Winter State Park, Max Long Recreation Complex, Veterans Beach Park, Circle Park, and the City of Sebring Pier and Beach, and Highlands Hammock State Park.