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# WELCOME

**S.R. 29 from C.R. 846 E to North of New Market Road N & S.R. 29 from New Market Road to S.R. 82**  
**Collier County, Florida**

**Financial Project ID: 417540-5 & 417540-6**

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**Joint Public Meeting**



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Thank you for tuning into the joint presentation for two State Road 29 design projects in the Immokalee area. This presentation is being conducted by the Florida Department of Transportation, or FDOT, District One in Collier County. The Financial Project Identification Numbers, or FPIDs, for the two projects under discussion are 417540 dash 5 and 417540 dash 6.

During this presentation, we will share information on the status of State Road 29 and discuss the proposed designs meant to improve safety and operations within the project corridor.

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## Meeting Purpose

- Review the project history
- Present the proposed designs
- Provide methods to collect public feedback

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State Road 29 serves as a vital north–south corridor through the Immokalee community, connecting residents to jobs, schools, and essential services while also serving as a regional route for agricultural and commercial traffic. As the surrounding area has grown and economic activity has increased, traffic volumes along the corridor have continued to rise. Much of this traffic currently travels through downtown Immokalee along existing State Road 29 and New Market Road, where large trucks share the roadway with residents traveling to work, school, and nearby businesses.

Immokalee is a diverse community where many residents rely on walking, bicycling, or other forms of active transportation to reach daily destinations. For many, walking or biking along State Road 29 and nearby streets is a necessity rather than a choice, yet increasing traffic volumes create safety challenges.

The proposed State Road 29 improvements will provide an alternate route around downtown Immokalee, helping redirect regional traffic—particularly large trucks—away from existing State Road 29 and New Market Road. These improvements aim to reduce congestion, improve safety, and provide shared-use paths that offer safer options for pedestrians and bicyclists.

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You may also contact Aldrin Sanders, the Civil Rights Program Manager by mail at 605 Suwannee Street, Mail Station 65, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399 by phone at 850-414-4764 or email at Aldrin dot Sanders at d-o-t dot state dot f-l dot u-s.

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## Project Teams

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[Send a comment or ask a question about this project](#)

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Each of the projects, referred to by their FPIDs from here onward, is being managed by separate individuals. Sean Pugh is the point of contact for 417540 dash 5, while Christopher Speese is the contact for 417540-6. Both Project Managers are available to respond to questions before, during, and after the public meeting. Comments received in person, virtually, by mail, email, phone, or through the website will all be considered equally.

Only comments submitted by April 2 will be included in the public record.

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### Project History

- **FPID 417540-5 & 417540-6 are two segments of the larger Immokalee corridor goal**
- **Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study began in June 2007:**  
<https://www.swflroads.com/project/417540-1>
- **Development of alternatives, public coordination, and conceptual refinements**
- **Begin initial design efforts in 2019**



The map shows the project location for SR 29 PD&E Study, extending from Oil Well Road to SR 82. Key landmarks include Immokalee Regional Airport, Lake Trafford Rd, and New Market Road. The map is titled 'Project Location Map' and includes a north arrow and a scale bar.

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These design projects are only two segments of a broader FDOT initiative to improve the State Road 29 Immokalee corridor, which has been underway since 2007. The Project Development & Environment Study, or P D and E, process is a crucial step that the FDOT uses to ensure that transportation projects are developed with consideration of current engineering standards, project costs, and minimization of social and environmental impacts, while involving the public throughout the entire study process.

The PD&E study for this corridor was begun to evaluate ways to increase capacity along State Road 29 in response to ongoing population and employment growth in and around the study area. The planned expansion of State Road 29 from Oil Well Road to State Road 82 was identified within the Collier Metropolitan Planning Organization’s 2045 Long Range Transportation Plan and is consistent with Collier County’s adopted Growth Management Plan.

Once preliminary evaluations had been started in the PD&E phase, initial design efforts began in 2019. Part of the FDOT’s goals in increasing transportation capacity along the corridor includes ensuring all road users have access to safe and efficient transportation modes. Accordingly, these project design proposals also include facilities for pedestrian and bicyclist use such as new Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons at key crossing locations and shared use paths.

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## Project History

- **Identified in September 2023 as a Regional Congestion Relief Project in Moving Florida Forward Infrastructure Initiative**  
<https://www.fdot.gov/moving-floridaforward/landing>
- **Approval from FDOT Office of Environmental Management in June 2024**

**MOVING FLORIDA FORWARD Infrastructure Initiative**

**CONGESTION RELIEF PROJECTS**

1 U.S. 98 from R. Jackson Blvd. to Highway Bridge	11 Golden Glades interchange
2 SRV 10th St.	12 I-4 from Chapman/Dade to Ocoee Pkwy
3 I-75 at Pine Ridge Rd. Interchange	13 Peninsula Parkway Cut-Through from C.R. 552 to C.R. 623
4 I-75 from Golden Gate Pkwy to Collier Ave. Rd.	14 I-275 from 36th Ave. N to 4th St. N
5 S.R. 29 from C.R. 846 E to New Market Rd.	15 I-4 at S.R. 33 Interchange
6 S.R. 29 from New Market Rd. to S.R. 82	16 I-4 from U.S. 27 to Chapman/Dade
7 I-55 from Eastbound weigh station to New Mile Rd.	17 I-75 at Fruhite Rd. Interchange
8 S.R. 283 from S.R. 61 to C.R. 2203	18 W. Midway Rd. from Glades Cut-Off Rd. to Justice Rd.
9 S.R. 70 from Bourneville Blvd. to Waterbury Rd.	19 U.S. 201 Realignment from C.R. 270 to Florida's Turnpike
10 I-75 Auxiliary Lanes from S.R. 44 to S.R. 320	20 I-65 at I-10 Interchange in Volusia Co.

— Moving Florida Forward Projects  
— Construction and Design-Build Projects greater than \$20M or P3 or SP-Adopted Work Program

**2045 Congestion**  
■ High  
■ Low

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In 2023, the FDOT identified a selection of critical needs on state-owned roadways as part of the *Moving Florida Forward Infrastructure Initiative*. Additionally, the FDOT identified previously approved projects with broad community support that only lacked funding to begin construction. Funds from Florida’s General Revenue Surplus were dedicated to projects identified through this Initiative to advance construction and address Florida’s congestion, improve safety, ensure resiliency of our transportation network, and enhance Florida’s supply chain and economic growth.

These projects along State Road 29 were included in this Initiative and have been advanced for construction to begin at the end of 2026. After receiving approval from the Office of Environmental Management in 2024, final design refinement for the improvements on these two segments has been ongoing, bringing us to today.

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### Project Overview (417540-5)

**Purpose:**

- Provide an alternate route around downtown Immokalee
- Preserve emergency access
- Provide shared-use path access
- Improve intersection safety

**Project Activities**

- Four-lane divided highway with 45 mph speed limits
- 12-ft shared-use paths on both sides
- Emergency and pedestrian-activated signals at the Main St & Gopher Ridge Rd roundabouts

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Within the main Immokalee community, the proposed alternate alignment begins at the roundabout intersection at 12<sup>th</sup> Street and State Road 29. A four-lane highway will extend north connecting to a roundabout at Alachua Street and Gopher Ridge Road featuring 45 mph speed limits, 12-foot shared-use paths on each side. Each of the roundabout intersections will feature signals that can be activated by both emergency services and pedestrians.

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### Project Overview (417540-5)



- Purpose:**
  - Provide an alternate route around downtown Immokalee
  - Preserve emergency access
  - Provide shared-use path access
- Project Activities**
  - Four-lane divided highway with 50-55 mph speed limits
  - 12-ft shared-use paths on both sides

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North of Gopher Ridge Road, the proposed highway will retain four-lanes and the speed limit will be increased to 50-55 mph. The shared-use paths will remain along both sides of the highway.

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### Project Overview (417540-5)

- Purpose:**
  - Provide an alternate route around downtown Immokalee
  - Preserve emergency access
  - Provide shared-use path access
- Project Activities**
  - Four-lane divided highway with 50-55 mph speed limits
  - 12-ft shared-use paths on both sides
  - New traffic signal at intersection with S.R. 29

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The four-lane highway and shared-use paths will continue and reconnect to the original State Road 29 alignment, just north of New Market Road. A signal will be installed at a reconstructed intersection of the original alignment of State Road 29 and this alternate alignment.

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### Project Overview (417540-6)

<p>■ <b>Purpose:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Reduce traffic delays and congestion</li> <li>■ Improve intersection safety</li> <li>■ Improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety</li> <li>■ Access management</li> </ul>	<p>■ <b>Project Activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Widen from existing two lanes to four lanes</li> <li>■ Replace New Market Rd signalized intersection with a two-lane roundabout</li> <li>■ Provide shared use paths on both sides of the roadway</li> </ul>
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North of Immokalee, the proposed improvements include replacing the existing two-lane roadway with a new four-lane roadway with a raised median and turn lanes. A shared use path is provided on both sides of the roadway for bicycle and pedestrian use and connects to the existing sidewalks on State Road 29, New Market Road and Westclox Street. The existing New Market Rd signalized intersection will be replaced with a two-lane roundabout with pedestrian crossing features. Access management is being implemented to improve safety by reducing the number of conflict points and simplifying driver decision making. A directional median opening is included at Heritage Boulevard, to allow southbound access to and from the Florida State University medical facility. Additional project elements include new pavement markings, signing and roundabout lighting. All project elements other than stormwater management facilities are anticipated to occur within the existing public right-of-way.

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### Project Overview (417540-6)

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From C.R. 846 E to North of New Market Road N

- Purpose:**
  - Reduce traffic delays and congestion
  - Improve intersection safety
  - Improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety
  - Access management
- Project Activities**
  - Widen from existing two lanes to four lanes
  - Full median openings (Experimental Rd / O'Quinn Rd), Directional median openings (IFAS / U-turn)
  - Provide shared use paths on both sides of the roadway

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Full median openings are provided at Experimental Road and O'Quinn Road. Directional median openings are provided at the Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences facility and a private driveway slash U-turn. Additional project elements include new pavement markings and signing. All project elements other than stormwater management facilities are anticipated to occur within the existing public right-of-way.

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### Project Overview (417540-6)



- **Purpose:**
  - Reduce traffic delays and congestion
  - Improve intersection safety
  - Improve pedestrian and bicyclist safety
  - Access management
- **Project Activities**
  - Widen from existing two lanes to four lanes
  - Directional median opening (Florida Power & Light)
  - Provide shared use paths on both sides of the roadway

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The shared use path will connect to State Road 82. A southbound directional median opening is provided at the Florida Power and Light driveway. Additional project elements include new pavement markings, signing, and lighting adjustments approaching the State Road 82 roundabout.

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## How to use the Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons (PHB)

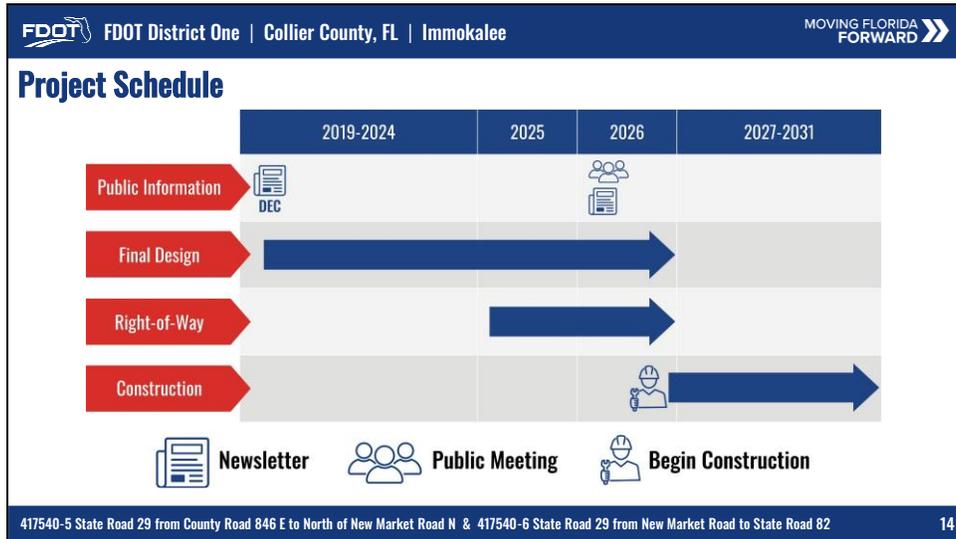
DRIVING				
 <b>Go</b> Beacon remains dark until activated by someone.	 <b>Slow Down</b> People walking have activated push button.	 <b>Prepare to Stop</b> Watch for people walking, biking, & rolling!	 <b>Stop!</b> People are crossing.	 <b>Stop</b> After stop, proceed with caution if clear.
WALKING				
 <b>STEP 1</b> <b>Push the Button</b> Stop and wait for the "WALK" signal.	 <b>STEP 2</b> <b>Start Crossing</b> Watch for cars!	 <b>STEP 3</b> <b>Finish Crossing</b> Cross safely before the countdown timer expires.	 <b>STEP 4</b> <b>Don't Walk</b> Push the button to cross. Wait for the "WALK" signal to start crossing.	



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As part of the FDOT’s goal to eliminate pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities and serious injuries resulting from traffic crashes on public roads, Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons – or P-H-Bs – have been proposed at key crossing locations within this project corridor.

A PHB is an overhead traffic device that resembles a regular traffic signal. It has two side-by-side red indicators above a single yellow indicator. But unlike a regular traffic signal, the signal face for drivers remains "dark" until the pedestrian activates the beacon. Because PHBs remain dark until activated, they can help increase driver attention to pedestrians crossing the roadway and can reduce rear-end collisions.



While initial design work began after the alternatives analysis during the PD&E phase, final design refinements began at the end of 2024. This project is currently funded for construction and is anticipated to be let at the end of 2026.

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## Ways to Submit Comments or Questions

**In-Person:** Submit a Comment Form

**Contact the FDOT Project Manager:**

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**Virtually:**

- Online at [swflroads.com/project/417540-5](http://swflroads.com/project/417540-5) and [swflroads.com/project/417540-6](http://swflroads.com/project/417540-6)



**417540-5: Project Website**  
From C.R. 846 E to North of New Market Road N



**417540-6: Project Website**  
From New Market Road to S.R. 82

- The virtual meeting will take place on Tuesday, March 24, 2026 from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- To participate in the virtual meeting, please register by using the following link:  
[register.gotowebinar.com/register/6483287258878211166](http://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6483287258878211166)

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We encourage your input and welcome all comments for this project. Comments submitted in any format will be considered equal. As a reminder, you may contact the project managers directly by mail with attention at 10041 Daniels Pkwy, Fort Myers, Florida 33913, by email, or by phone. You may also visit the respective project websites to leave comments directly.

The project team will also be available during a virtual webinar scheduled for March 24 from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm on Go To Webinar. Please register in advance or visit the project websites for more information.

Only comments submitted by April 2 will be included in the public record.

Once again, thank you for taking the time to participate in these projects with us.

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**Thank you to our stakeholders for their  
input and support along the way**

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We would also like to extend a special thanks to all of the project stakeholders that have shared their input and support through the development of these projects.