



Florida Department of
TRANSPORTATION

Bradenton Palmetto Connector Spring 2022 Update

The Florida Department of Transportation may adopt this planning product into the environmental review process, pursuant to Title 23 U.S.C. § 168(4)(d) or the state project development process.

Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Study

Purpose of the Project:

Improve regional multimodal mobility, connectivity, and safety for all users between the Cities of Bradenton and Palmetto in Manatee County, Florida.

Need for the Project:

- Increase safety
- Increase roadway capacity
- Transportation demand
- Economic development
- Bicycle and Pedestrian Mobility



Study Scope:

- Phase 1 - Conduct an Alternatives Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study
- Phase 2 - Conduct a PD&E Study

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What is an Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study?

- Identify Corridors
- Draft Purpose and Need Statement – Why do we need the project?
- Evaluate Corridors
 - Is it consistent with Local Agency’s Long Range Transportation Plans?
 - Is it consistent with City/County Comprehensive Plans?
 - What are the potential impacts to the environment?
(Social, Natural, and Physical)
 - How well does the corridor improve safety and mobility?
 - What is the project cost?
- Eliminate corridors with significant impacts
- Recommend Corridors
 - Consistent with Purpose and Need Statement
 - Move forward to PD&E

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Corridors being evaluated include but not limited to:

- Six (6) corridors from the Central Manatee Study
- Three (3) corridors from FDOT
- One (1) corridor from resident
- Rail and Transit routes



LEGEND

Yellow line	Corridor A	Purple line	Corridor D	Red line	Corridor H Gause
Blue line	Corridor B	Green line	Corridor E (Golf Course Corridor)	Dark red line	Corridor I 57th St E
Pink line	Corridor AB	Cyan line	Corridor F (26th Street W Alignment)		
Magenta line	Corridor C	Black line	Corridor G (43rd Street W Alignment)		

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Communication Plan Goals:

- Transparency
- Identify project champions
- Meet with local agencies
- Meet with stakeholders
- Meet with community
- Ensure community feedback is heard
- Build confidence and trust in FDOT's process



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Alternative Corridor Evaluation Study

Manatee County, Florida
Financial Project ID: 444843-1-22-01

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Website is Live!



<http://swflroads.com/bpconnector/> [swflroads.com]

Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study

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Project Resources

- About the Study
- Documents & Publications
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- More...

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Welcome

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District One has kicked off the much anticipated Bradenton-Palmetto Connector Alternative Corridor Evaluation (ACE) Study. This ACE study will evaluate feasible corridor alternatives to connect the Cities of Bradenton and Palmetto across the Manatee River and improve regional multimodal mobility, connectivity, and safety for all users, including motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians, trucks and transit.

The need for a possible third bridge or improved access across the Manatee River was identified as part of the Central Manatee Network Alternatives Analysis (CMNAA) Study in Manatee County, which was a collaboration between FDOT, Manatee County, the Cities of Bradenton and Palmetto, and the Sarasota/Manatee Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO).

Project At-A-Glance



District
One (Southwest Florida)

Start Date
May 26, 2020

Est. Completion Date
Spring 2023

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Project Schedule

Schedule Task	2022									2023			
	April	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	March	April
Public Engagement Outreach	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	■
Kick-Off Meeting			★										
ACE Study	■	■	■	■	■	■							
Public Informational Meeting							★						
Revise ACE Study							■	■	■	■			
ACE Approval											★		
Begin PD&E												■	■

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National Distracted Driver Awareness Month



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