



INTERSTATE 95 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT AND ENVIRONMENT STUDY

Project Overview

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Interstate 95 (I-95) is the primary interstate facility that links all major cities along the Atlantic seaboard and one of the most important southeast Florida transportation systems. Master planning of major transportation facilities such as I-95 has been essential to ensure the availability of capacity within the transportation network and to support the region's high growth.

The Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study will address existing and projected operating deficiencies along this section of I-95 including mainline capacity, interchange geometry and ramp terminals. The study area currently exceeds the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Level of Service (LOS) minimum standards.

The functional classification of I-95 is urban principal arterial-interstate. This section of I-95 has interchange connections with major roads including Commercial Boulevard, Cypress Creek Road, Atlantic Boulevard, Copans Road, Sample Road, SW 10th Street, Hillsboro Boulevard and Palmetto Park Road and direct access to the Sawgrass Expressway/SR 869.

The study is included in the FDOT Five-Year Work Program and was included in the I-95 Master Plan, which was approved by the Broward County Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) in 2001. It is also included in the MPO's 2025 Long Range Transportation Plan.

Southeast Florida serves as the U.S. gateway to Latin America and the Caribbean, and is a prominent trade, tourism, and financial center. The container operations of the three South Florida Ports combined places third in the nation behind Los Angeles and New York. I-95 is the major north-south transportation spine of the Atlantic Commerce Corridor and is vital in moving people and goods within and beyond the region.

The Southeast Florida Region comprises over 5.2 million people, and is recognized as one of the most traffic-congested regions in the country. Population is expected to grow 33 percent to 6.8 million people by 2020 and to 7.6 million people by 2030. Growth in both freight and tourist visitors are expected to substantially increase as well.

I-95 is a major connector between Northern Broward and Southern Palm Beach Counties. It serves the Boca Raton Airport, Florida Atlantic University, Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport, Palm Beach International Airport and major shopping malls and business centers. I-95 is located in the southeast Florida



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area, and has experienced a 5.3 percent population increase in Broward County between 2000 and 2002.

PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

- Planning Phase – Completed and Approved in 2001
- Project Development and Environment Phase – Underway 2006-2009
- Design – 2009
- Right of Way - 2011
- Construction – 2013 or 2014

PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project consists of widening I-95 from south of Commercial Boulevard in Broward County to south of Glades Road in Palm Beach County to ten (10) lanes; eight (8) general purpose lanes and two (2) High Occupancy Vehicles (HOV) lanes throughout. Interchange improvements to implement the ten (10) lane mainline section have been identified at the following crossroads: Cypress Creek Road, Copans Road, Hillsboro Boulevard and Palmetto Park Road. The project is approximately 13.7 miles, extending from milepost 14.0 to milepost 25.362 in Broward and from MP 0.0 to MP 2.3 in Palm Beach.

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- Palm Beach County FM No. 409355-1-22-01

FINANCE

This project will be funded exclusively with federal and state funding grants. District dedicated revenue will serve as matching funds for Federal National Highway System and Surface Transportation Program funds. Right of way and construction funding for these projects are reflected in the Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) 2025 Cost Feasible Plan.

- Project Development and Environment Phase – \$ 6.4 millions
- Design – \$ 28 millions
- Right of Way – Not funded
- Construction – Not Funded

PROJECT STATUS

- Notice to Proceed – April 2006
- Data Collection – April 2006 to Present

For additional information on the project, please visit www.i95study.com

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