

Transportation Improvements – Florida at Work

Beach Boulevard (U.S. 90/State Road 212)

Adding lanes from Hodges Boulevard to San Pablo Road – Duval County



Beach Boulevard is shown as a six-lane highway.

Project Summary

Beach Boulevard (U.S. 90/State Road 212) is a major east-west route on the eastern side of Duval County and used by commuters, those headed to the beach and even those evacuating in hurricane emergencies. It connects State Road A1A in Jacksonville Beach at the Atlantic Ocean to the heart of Jacksonville, just east of Interstate 95, a total distance of 14.8 miles. It varies between four and six lanes.

In the 1.5 mile section between Hodges Boulevard and San Pablo Road, it is four lanes. On both sides of this segment, Beach Boulevard is six lanes, or is presently under construction to provide a six-lane roadway. The six-lane section just west of Hodges Boulevard was completed in 2008. The section to the east, between San Pablo Road and Penman Road includes the replacement of the Intracoastal Waterway bridge with a six-lane high level bridge.

Project Support

The six-laning of Beach Boulevard is supported by:

- Florida Department of Transportation
- North Florida Transportation Planning Organization
- Northeast Florida Regional Council
- City of Jacksonville
- City of Jacksonville Beach
- Jacksonville Transportation Authority

The improvements between Hodges Boulevard and San Pablo Road will provide six 12-foot wide travel lanes (three in each direction); 4-foot wide bike lanes next to the outside lanes and 5-foot wide sidewalks on both sides of the roadway.

Considering the need for public transportation, the new six-lane section will include four designated bus bays for Jacksonville Transportation Authority buses to pull out of the travel lanes to pickup and drop off bus riders.

New mast arm traffic signals will replace existing signals at Hodges Boulevard and San Pablo Road while new traffic signals will be installed at Suni Pines and Discovery Way.

With 40,700 motorists a day using this segment of Beach Boulevard, the need for improvements is evident as the roadway serves residents, tourists and other visitors to the area and is an evacuation route for coastal residents during hurricane season.

- St. Johns River Water Management District
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Jacksonville Regional Chamber of Commerce
- Jacksonville Beaches Chamber of Commerce
- Jacksonville and the Beaches Conventions & Visitors Bureau
- Florida Highway Patrol
- City of Jacksonville Sheriff's Department

Fast Facts

Costs:

Design/Construction

\$12,875,652.46

Inspection/Verification

\$2,495,032

Total Cost:

\$15,370,684.46

Schedule:

Contract Advertisement:

February 2, 2009

Contract Award:

June 9, 2009

Beginning of

Design/Construction:

June 2009

Contract Days: 631

Anticipated completion:

Summer 2011

Jobs Created/Supported

Estimated: 430

J.B. Coxwell Contracting, Inc., and GAI Consultants Inc.

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For more information,
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