



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - DISTRICT FOUR SR 7 Extension Project

From State Road (SR) 704/Okeechobee Boulevard to Northlake Boulevard
Palm Beach County, Florida
Financial Project ID's: 229664-6 & 229664-7

The Florida Department of Transportation's (FDOT) SR 7 Extension Project will provide a safe, efficient, and environmentally sensitive connection between Okeechobee Boulevard and Northlake Boulevard to improve community connectivity for western Palm Beach County. This project is vital to satisfying capacity and mobility needs due to increasing growth and travel demands in the region. The improvements will also help with emergency response and evacuation by improving network connectivity in the area.

PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

229664-7 (from Okeechobee Blvd to 60th St)

- Adding two new travel lanes between Okeechobee Blvd and 60th Street to provide two lanes in each direction.
- Reconstructing the 60th Street roundabout from a one-lane to a two-lane roundabout.

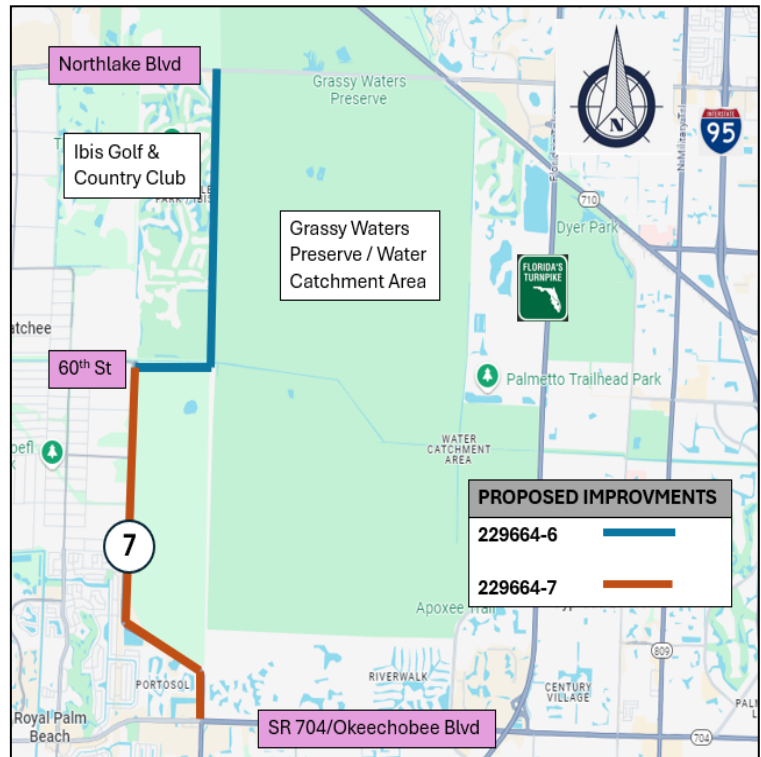
229664-6 (from 60th St to Northlake Blvd)

- Constructing a four-lane divided roadway on a new alignment from 60th Street to Northlake Blvd.
- Constructing crossings over the M-Canal and the Ibis Preserve spillway.
- Constructing a 12' shared-use path from 60th Street to Northlake Blvd to improve bicycle and pedestrian safety and mobility
- Constructing a robust drainage system to improve resiliency

CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS

- Work will be conducted in phases to minimize construction impacts.
- Short-term, temporary detours are anticipated for construction of connections to Orange Grove Blvd. and Persimmon Blvd. Both will be limited to one weekend each, and will not occur at the same time.
- Business and resident access will be maintained throughout construction.

PROJECT LOCATION



CONSTRUCTION INFORMATION

Project Number	229664- <u>6</u>	229664- <u>7</u>
Letting	7/26/2028	12/1/2027
Anticipated Const. Start	Fall 2028	Spring 2028
Anticipated Const. Complete	Fall 2031	Spring 2031
Estimated Const. Cost	\$94.2 M	\$43.4 M

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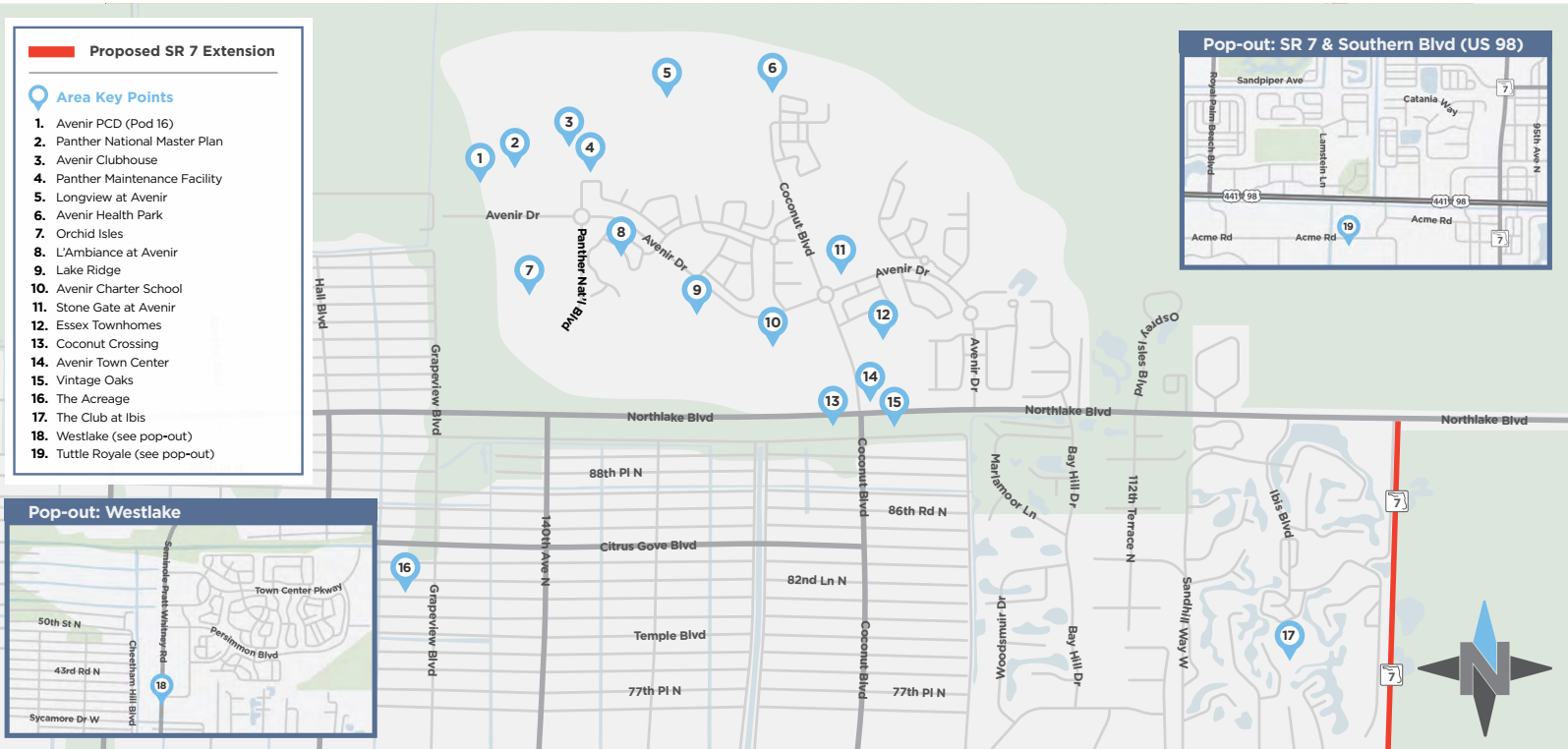
FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MISSION STATEMENT

The Florida Department of Transportation's mission is to provide a safe statewide transportation system that promotes the efficient movement of people and goods, supports the state's economic competitiveness, prioritizes Florida's environment and natural resources, and preserves the quality of life and connectedness of the state's communities.

State Road (SR) 7 Extension Project Need and Benefits

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AREA DEVELOPMENT



PROJECT KEY POINTS

IMPROVE REGIONAL TRAVEL CONNECTIVITY

- There are limited north-south corridors in the western Palm Beach County network.
- SR 7 is one of four roads that connect between Miami-Dade, Broward, and Palm Beach Counties.

ACCOMMODATE THE TRAVEL DEMAND

- The need for additional linkage between Okeechobee Blvd and Northlake Blvd will continue to grow as travel demands grow.

SATISFY CAPACITY, MOBILITY, AND CONNECTIVITY NEEDS

- In addition to travel demand, the route will facilitate hurricane evacuation and emergency response times.
- The SR 7 Extension project adds four lanes of north-south roadway traffic capacity between 60th Street North and Northlake Blvd. and two lanes of north-south roadway traffic capacity between Okeechobee Blvd and 60th Street North.
 - This extension will help alleviate traffic volume on adjacent north-south parallel roads including Seminole Pratt Whitney Road, Royal Palm Beach Blvd., Coconut Blvd., and the Florida Turnpike.

DISTANCE AND TRAVEL TIME BENEFITS

- The SR 7 extension provides a shorter route and shorter drive times than other parallel routes.
- Travel demand shows a need for another north-south route in Palm Beach County.
 - Data shows an increase in population by 50% from 2015-2045 and a job growth increase of 73%.
 - Three new developments in western Palm Beach County including Avenir, Minto West, and Indian Trails Grove relied on the SR 7 extension to accommodate their trips.

INCREASE SAFETY

- Reduce cut-through traffic in the residential streets of the Acreage, most notably Royal Palm Beach Blvd and Coconut Blvd.
- The SR 7 Extension route reduces the total overall predicted number of crashes on the adjacent north-south roads in the study area.

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