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FACT SHEET

Interstate 275 Widening

Hillsborough County, Florida

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Quick Facts

Project Scope

Widening from
4 to 6 lanes

Project Limits

south of Busch Blvd.
to north of the
U.S. 41 overpass

Corridor Length

4.7 miles

Construction Cost

\$37 million

Start Date

September 25, 1999

Finish Date

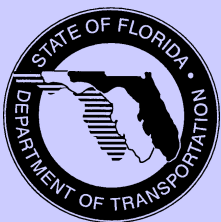
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About the Projects

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is making capacity and safety improvements to Interstate 275 in Hillsborough County, Florida from just south of Busch Boulevard to just north of U.S. Highway 41. The project will enable more vehicles to safely use the road by adding another lane in each direction and create a safer highway corridor through interchange and lighting improvements, as well as by the concrete barrier wall that will be constructed in the median.

Improvement Highlights

- Increase from a 4-lane highway to a 6-lane highway.
- Improve and modify some interchange ramps.
- Repair concrete slabs in existing travel lanes. Grind all lanes (old and new) to provide an even surface area.
- Construct median barrier wall to separate northbound and southbound interstate traffic.
- Improve drainage and lighting.

Project Segments

- **Segment 1:** south of Busch Blvd. to south of Fowler Ave. *Construction started September 25, 1999. 1.3 miles.*
- **Segment 2:** south of Fowler Ave. to south of Fletcher Ave. *Construction started September 25, 1999. 1.1 miles.*
- **Segment 3:** south of Fletcher Ave. to north of U.S. 41 *Construction started May 15, 2000. 2.3 miles.*

Traffic Flow

All existing travel lanes will be maintained during the day. This will allow two lanes of traffic in each direction throughout the reconstruction.

Night Work

Night construction is necessary in order to keep the lanes open during high use periods during the day. **Lane closures** will occur **between 9:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m.** as needed. While we will try to minimize all disturbances, area residents can expect some noise and lighted work areas at night.

Safety During Construction

To reduce delays caused by disabled vehicles and accidents in the construction area, the Florida Department of Transportation is providing a **Service Patrol** to assist motorists (at no cost to the motorist). The Service Patrol wreckers patrol the active Interstate 275 construction areas 24 hours-per-day, 7 days-a-week.