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# FACT SHEET

## I-75 / County Road 581 Interchange

Tampa, Florida

Project Number 408460-1-52-01 & 408460-3-52-01

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### Quick Facts

#### **Project Scope**

Flyover bridge & ramp  
to southbound I-75

#### **Project Limits**

I-75 from Bruce B. Downs  
Blvd. (CR 581) to the  
Hillsborough River

#### **Corridor Length**

3 miles / 1/3 mile bridge

#### **Contractor**

PCL Civil  
Constructors, Inc.

#### **Construction Cost**

\$41 million

#### **Start Date**

March 7, 2007

#### **Estimated Finish Date**

Spring 2009

#### **FDOT Interstate Construction Office**

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### About the Project

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is making a number of improvements to the Interstate 75 interchange at County Road 581 (Bruce B. Downs Boulevard).

The major feature of the project is to change the southbound CR 581 entrance to southbound I-75 from the existing two-lane left turn to a right entrance flyover bridge. The flyover ramp lane will be extended from Bruce B. Downs Boulevard southward to the Hillsborough River. The project will also realign the northbound CR 581 entrance ramp to southbound I-75, construct a new connection from southbound CR 581 to the new flyover bridge, and widen the southbound CR 581 entrance ramp to northbound I-75.

Drainage work for the future Hillsborough County widening project of CR 581 will be constructed, as well as several ponds and storm water facilities. There will also be a slight realignment of the existing pedestrian trail. The contract also includes enhancements to the Vickers Swamp Mitigation area.

### Improvement Highlights

- Flyover bridge connecting southbound CR 581 to southbound I-75, extending the ramp lane to the Hillsborough River.
- Construct new connection from southbound CR 581 to new bridge.
- Realign northbound CR 581 to southbound I-75 entrance ramp.
- Widen the southbound CR 581 entrance ramp to northbound I-75.
- Signalization to improve two interchange ramp intersections.
- New high-mast lighting for the interchange.

### Traffic Flow

All existing travel lanes will be open during the day. This will allow maximum traffic flow during peak driving hours.

### Night Work

Night construction is needed to keep the lanes open during high use periods during the day. Lane closures and detours will be allowed between 9 p.m. and 5 a.m. as needed. While we will work to minimize all disturbances, area businesses and residents can expect some noise and lighted work areas at night.

### Safety Along the Corridor

To reduce delays caused by disabled vehicles and accidents, the FDOT has **Road Rangers** to assist motorists (at no cost to the motorist). The Road Ranger trucks patrol the I-75 corridor from Bruce B. Downs Blvd. to the Lee Roy Selmon Crosstown Expressway from 5:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. weekdays.