



I- 95 CORRIDOR DUVAL & ST. JOHNS COUNTIES Project Overview

NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Interstate 95 (I-95) carries large amounts of tourist and commercial traffic between Florida and the eastern seaboard of the US. Construction projects are nearing completion that will bring all of I-95 in District Two to six lanes or more. As population in the region, tourism throughout the state, and activity at the Port of Jacksonville increase, the demand for high-speed, long-distance capacity also increases. The Interstate Master Plan for I-95 will define improvements to meet these needs through the year 2030.

PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

A planning study, called an Interstate Master Plan (FM#4057612), is in progress for the portion of I-95 from the St. Johns / Flagler County line, north through St. Johns County, to the interchange of I-95 with I-10 in Duval County, near downtown Jacksonville.

PROJECT OVERVIEW

The Interstate 95 master plan update consists of two major components, a short term interchange operational improvement study, and the long term master plan update. The short term study looked at interchange ramps and their intersections with local streets to identify low cost and low impact improvements that the FDOT could implement in five years or less. The consultant published this report in November 2006 and it is available on the I-95 Master Plan website (see Contact Information, below). The district is reviewing the recommendations to determine if funds are available to program any of the recommended projects.

The major purpose of this master plan is to update the one done in 1990 and guide development of an inter-modal interstate system that will serve the mobility needs of people and freight and foster economic growth and development, while minimizing transportation-related fuel consumption and air pollution. The district is working closely with the Jacksonville Transportation Authority to take into account their studies of commuter rail and bus rapid transit. The district is developing the master plan cooperatively with state, regional, and local agencies and groups.



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FINANCE

FM#4057612 Planning Study – Interstate Master Plan
The study began in FY2004/05 \$1,481,000

No other phases funded at this time.

PROJECT STATUS

FM#4057612 The Interstate 95 Master Plan is underway, with expected completion in late 2007.

We anticipate that other projects will result from these studies, but there are no subsequent projects scheduled or funded at this time.

CORRIDOR STATUS – ADJACENT PROJECTS

District Two also is pursuing a Project Development & Environmental Study of the First Coast Outer Beltway to connect I-10, from west of I-295 in Duval County, with I-95 in central St. Johns County. The district is working with the Turnpike Enterprise to investigate the feasibility of implementing this project with tolls. Please see the project website for additional information: <http://www.sjrbridge.com/default.htm> and www.fdotfirstcoastouterbeltway.com.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For additional information on the I-95 Master Plan, please contact the Project Manager, James Green at 904-360-5684 or james.green@dot.state.fl.us OR you can visit the project website at 195.edats.com [note, this web address does not have "www" in front].

For information on other projects in the FDOT Work Program, visit: www2.dot.state.fl.us/programdevelopmentoffice/wp/default.asp