



# I-295/COLLINS ROAD INTERCHANGE

## DUVAL COUNTY

### Project Overview

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#### NEEDS ASSESSMENT

I-295 (SR 9A) is an interstate facility located in Duval County which provides a major loop around downtown Jacksonville connecting to both I-95 and I-10. The purpose of this project is to provide improved local access to the interstate system from Blanding Boulevard (State Road 21) and Collins Road. In addition, this project will address the traffic backups at the I-295 exit ramps to Blanding Boulevard which back up onto the interstate mainline creating a hazardous condition.

#### PLANNING, DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION

FM # 213345-1 Project Development & Environmental (PD&E) study – Completed in October, 2003

Design Phase – Underway and scheduled for completion in April, 2009

Construction Phase – Scheduled for bid opening in July, 2009

#### PROJECT OVERVIEW

This project will include a new I-295 Interchange at Collins Road, the construction of a collector-distributor road system, capacity improvements for the Blanding Boulevard northbound on-ramp to I-295 southbound and the resurfacing of Blanding Boulevard from the Clay County line to Collins Road. The collector-distributor road system will provide two additional travel lanes in each direction along I-295 from north of the Roosevelt Boulevard (US 17) Interchange to north of the proposed Collins Road interchange (approximately 4.3 miles). Motorists will use the collector-distributor roads to access the existing interchange at Blanding Boulevard and the proposed interchange at Collins Road. This new system of roads will reduce the weaving and merging conflicts at the interchanges while providing additional capacity to alleviate traffic back-ups at the ramps and onto the interstate mainline. Although the FDOT is acquiring right of way needed for the proposed Collins Road interchange and for retention ponds, the additional travel lanes will be constructed within the existing 300-foot right-of-way.

The proposed interchange will tie into the new four-lane Collins Road Bridge (overpass) over I-295 that will be constructed by the City of Jacksonville as part of the Collins Road reconstruction project from two to four lanes. Construction for their Collins Road project is scheduled to start in 2007. For more information about this project, visit website <http://www.betterjax.com/> and type "Collins" in the Quick Search Box and click on the section of Collins Road from Rampart to Blanding - Phase II. The contact for this project is Roger Miller at 904-360-5969 or [miller@buildbetterjax.com](mailto:miller@buildbetterjax.com).

#### FINANCE

Project Development & Environmental Phase - \$462,521 funded in fiscal years 2001 & 2002

Design Phase - \$4,810,364 funded in fiscal years 2005 & 2007

Construction Phase – Estimated at \$120,685,673 funded in fiscal year 2010

#### PROJECT STATUS

The project plans are currently 60 percent complete.



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