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FACT SHEET

Interstate 275 Widening

Pinellas County, Florida

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Quick Facts

Project Scope

Adding one lane in each direction

Project Limits

Gandy Blvd.
to north of
Roosevelt Blvd.

Corridor Length

1.8 miles

Construction Cost

\$8 million

Start Date

November 4, 1999

Finish Date

Late 2001

FDOT Interstate Construction Office

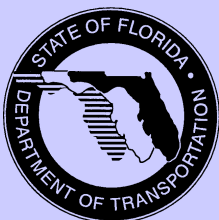
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About the Projects

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) is making capacity and safety improvements to Interstate 275 in Pinellas County, Florida from Gandy Boulevard to just north of Roosevelt Boulevard. The project will increase capacity by adding another lane in each direction and create a safer highway corridor through interchange and lighting improvements.

Improvement Highlights

- Increase from a 6-lane highway to an 8-lane highway through most of the corridor; from 4-lanes to 6-lanes near Roosevelt Boulevard.
- Repair concrete slabs in existing travel lanes. Grind all lanes (old and new) to provide a consistent, smooth surface area.
- Build ramp connection for future County Road Connector project (began January 8, 2001).

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 wrecker patrols the active Interstate 275 construction area from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., seven days-a-week.