

PROJECT UPDATE | JULY 26, 2024



Project 5 (from 45th Street East to West of I-75)

In August 2024, the contractor will begin construction of a dedicated right-turn lane on eastbound 44th Avenue East at 45th Street East. The overall project is substantially complete and is open to traffic.

Project 6 (from I-75 to Lakewood Ranch Boulevard)

I-75 Median: Bridge work is ongoing, with nighttime closures of the outside northbound and southbound travel lanes of I-75 in effect as needed to accommodate this activity.



Westbound view of construction at I-75

Beginning on Saturday, August 24 and continuing through early September 2024, an overnight detour of northbound traffic on I-75 will be implemented as the contractor begins placing structural steel girders for construction of the bridge over the northbound lanes. Motorists traveling northbound on I-75 will be directed to exit at SR 70 and east on SR 70 to Lakewood Ranch Boulevard. Motorists will then be directed north on Lakewood Ranch Boulevard to SR 64 and west on SR 64 to access northbound I-75. The detour will be in effect between the hours of 11 p.m. on Saturday, August 24 and 7 a.m. on Sunday, August 25, and will continue nightly between the hours of 11 p.m. and 4:30 a.m. through early September 2024 (weather permitting). FDOT and Manatee County have worked together to coordinate signal timing during the overnight detours.

West of I-75: Construction of the retaining wall in the area west of I-75, just north of The Ridge at Crossing Creek community, is ongoing in preparation for construction of the bridge over I-75. This work is expected to be completed by mid-August 2024, with drainage and roadway construction activities to follow.

East of I-75: Bridge construction activities in the County's reclaimed water storage lake, directly south of the Manatee County Wastewater Plant, are ongoing. Concrete substructure work on the South Lake bridge is underway and expected to continue through the end of the year. Other activities underway in the area include storm drainage and utility work, with the construction of an embankment and the retaining wall for the eastern end of the bridge over I-75 anticipated to begin in mid-to-late August 2024.

Construction activities are being conducted **Monday through Friday, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.**, with nighttime work to occur on an as-needed basis. Residents are asked to be mindful of construction equipment and materials being operated and staged in right of way areas.

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