

SOUTHPORT CONNECTOR EXPRESSWAY

PROJECT DEVELOPMENT & ENVIRONMENT STUDY

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In August 2020, CFX began a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study of the Southport Connector Expressway. The study is evaluating the alternatives of a proposed 15-mile, limited-access tollway between Poinciana Parkway and Florida's Turnpike, ending at Canoe Creek Road in Osceola County.

The Southport Connector Expressway would provide a vital regional connection to area residents and businesses with an expressway option to get to I-4 via the Poinciana Parkway and to Florida's Turnpike via the Southport Connector Expressway. Specifically, the Southport Connector Expressway would give those using the often-congested Cypress Parkway an expressway travel option, while still maintaining a non-tolled local road.

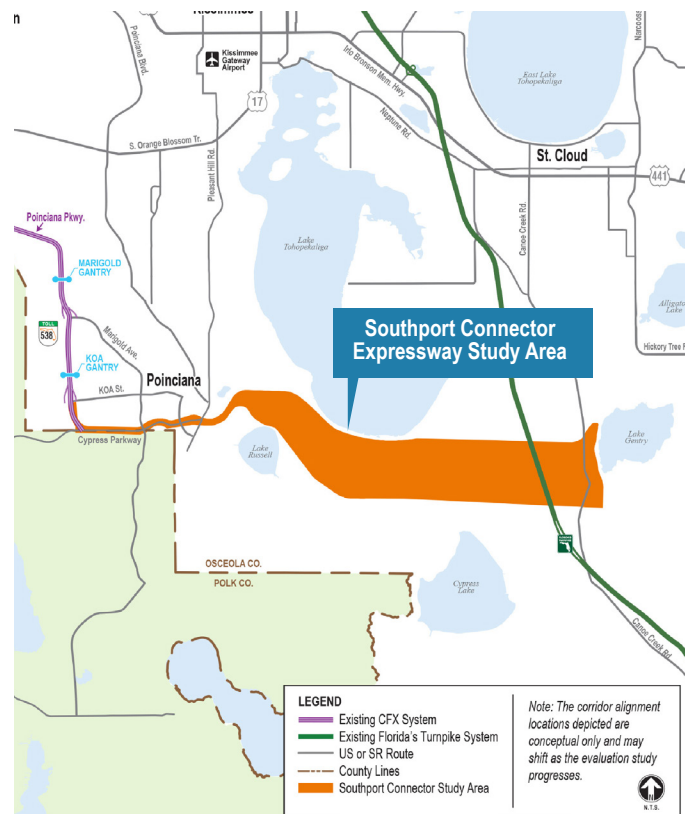
With traffic continuing to increase, by 2045 it could take 24 minutes during rush hour to travel the 3.6 miles from the Poinciana Parkway to Old Pleasant Hill Road under current conditions. With the proposed expressway, that same trip in 2045 could take only 8 minutes - saving 16 minutes in travel time.

STUDY DESCRIPTION

The study is developing and evaluating transportation alignments to identify a preferred alternative, including using the previous Concept, Feasibility, and Mobility (CF&M) Study results as a foundation.

Based on public input, additional Cypress Parkway alternatives are currently being evaluated. The alternatives include enough room for six lanes on Cypress Parkway, as well as an elevated expressway being built on fill dirt with mechanically stabilized earthen (MSE) walls and/or bridge structures, which would maintain open views for the community. The study team also is evaluating an alternative proposed in another location by community members.

STUDY MAP



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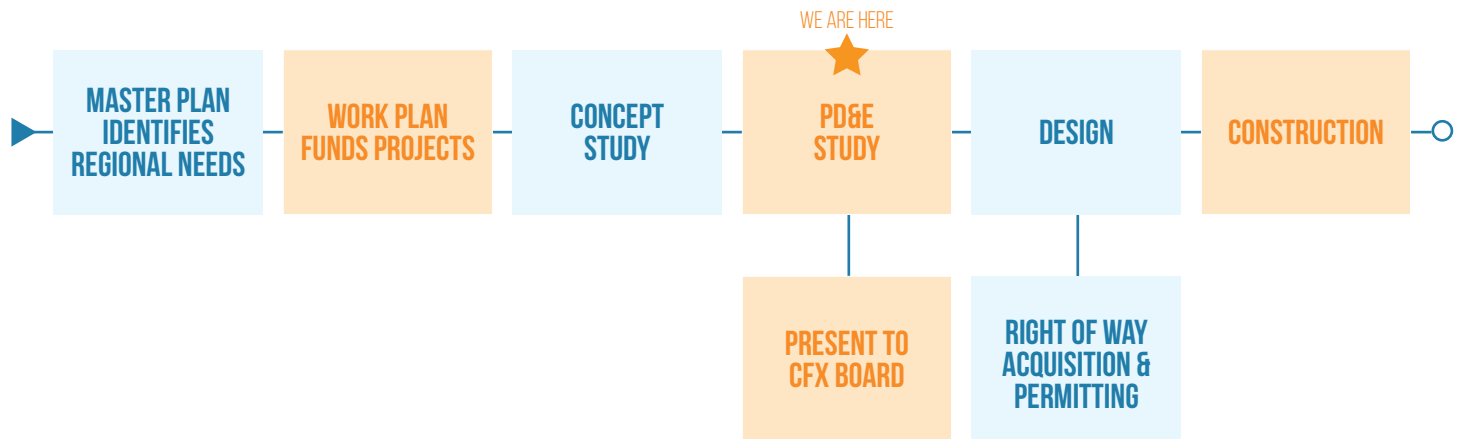
★ STUDY GOALS

The goals of the Southport Connector Expressway PD&E Study include:

- Enhance mobility for the area's growing population and economy.
- Provide needed capacity along Cypress Parkway to allow more reliable trip times.
- Provide a limited-access facility from the Poinciana area to Florida's Turnpike and Canoe Creek Road.
- Provide connections between existing and future potential expressways within the study area.
- Promote regional connectivity.

⚡ PROJECT DEVELOPMENT PROCESS

The project development process occurs over a number of years. The PD&E Study is an early phase of the project development process. Once a preferred alternative is identified, the study findings must be presented to the CFX Governing Board for review and possible approval. If the Board approves moving the project forward to design, that phase of the process can also take up to several years and would include any necessary property acquisition.



💡 STUDY PARTICIPATION

We value your input. Public involvement and interagency coordination is integral to the PD&E study, and opportunities for public participation will be provided. CFX anticipates holding a public workshop and public hearing in 2024 as part of this study. For questions or comments, or to sign up for project updates, email us at ProjectStudies@CFXway.com or visit the study webpage by scanning the QR code to the right.

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