

# **S.R. 31 from Bayshore Road (S.R. 78) to Horseshoe Road/Lake Babcock Drive**

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

### **Project Cost**

\$85 million

### **Starting Date**

Summer 2024

### **Where is the new S.R. 31 roadway being constructed?**

The new S.R. 31 will be constructed east of the existing S.R. 31, approximately 200-300 feet depending on location.

### **Will there be roundabouts?**

Roundabouts will be constructed at Shirley Lane, Fox Hill Road, and Lake Babcock Drive.

### **Will there be new traffic signals?**

Yes, traffic signals will be installed as follows:

- SR-31 & Bayshore (SR-78)
- SR-31 & N River Rd (CR-78) – this will be what’s called a Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT) intersection where there is not a 4 way turn capability. Traffic heading west on CR-78 will need to turn right (north) on SR-31 then do a U-Turn to go south. The U-Turn has its own traffic light.
- Signals on SR-31 will be installed north and south of SR-31 & N River Rd (CR-78) to facilitate U-Turn movements
- SR-31 & Saw Palmetto Parkway / Busbee Ln
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- SR-31 & Cypress Parkway

**What will the speed limit be when the project is complete?**

The new speed limit will be 45 MPH for most of the new roadway. The speed limit through the three new roundabouts will be 25 MPH.

**Why does the project not extend up to Greenway Boulevard/Cook Brown Road?**

As part of the design and permitting approval process, the traffic study did not indicate that improvements were needed this far north at this time.

**What will happen with the existing S.R. 31?**

Most of the old section of S.R. 31 will remain in place to access properties to the west. Lee and Charlotte Counties will take over the remaining old S.R. 31 once construction is completed.

**How is this project funded?**

Babcock Ranch Independent Special District (ISD) is funding all aspects of the project including design, permitting, inspection, Right-Of-Way (ROW) acquisition of the properties south of CR-78, and construction costs.