



# Barrier Island Complete Streets Improvements PD&E Study SR 789 from North of Longboat Pass Bridge and Gulf Drive from SR 64 to White Avenue/85th Street Manatee County

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## STUDY BEGINS

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, is conducting a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) study for proposed improvements to State Road (SR) 789 from north of Longboat Pass Bridge to SR 64 (approximately 3.8 miles) and Gulf Drive from SR 64 to White Avenue/85th Street (approximately 2.2 miles), with a total project length of approximately 6 miles.

Building on previous studies, FDOT recently started this PD&E study in January 2024 to evaluate multimodal alternatives for the main north-south corridor on Anna Maria Island traversing cities of Bradenton Beach and Holmes Beach. FDOT will consider community context-sensitive strategies to improve pedestrian and bicycle safety and enhance mobility options for all users along the study corridor, while maintaining the quality of life for residents and visitors. Multimodal alternatives will be studied to meet the project needs and goals. The No-Build Alternative will also be studied. Each alternative will be evaluated for potential impacts on the natural, social, cultural, and physical environment. Minimizing environmental impacts while enhancing the future transportation needs integrated with the community's vision and character will also be an important project goal. Improvements may include intersection and safety improvements, drainage, sidewalks, bike lanes, and bus stops.

### WHAT IS A PD&E STUDY?

A PD&E study is an environmental and engineering process developed by FDOT to determine social, economic, natural, and physical environmental effects associated with a proposed transportation improvement project.

The process follows procedures set forth in the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and federal and state laws and regulations. It requires the combined efforts of professional engineers, planners, and scientists who collect and analyze project-related information to develop the best solution for transportation needs.



## PROJECT NEEDS AND GOALS

### Safety

- Improve safety conditions for vulnerable users

### Systems Linkage

- Provide for Shared-Use Non-Motorized (SUN) Trail network gaps and proposed multimodal bridge

### Modal Interrelationships

- Accomodate existing and future modal development

### Roadway Deficiencies

- Address deficient multimodal and ADA facilities

FOR PROJECT INFORMATION  
PLEASE SCAN QR CODE OR VISIT:  
[www.swflroads.com/project/446681-1](http://www.swflroads.com/project/446681-1)





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Project information will be available through newsletters and the project website. With your input, we can develop a better understanding of the community's needs and concerns. All comments may be mailed or emailed to the address noted below. FDOT has developed a project website which will include all related study documents and meeting announcements, including the project schedule, throughout the life of the project. To read more about the Barrier Island Complete Streets Improvements PD&E study or to submit comments, please [visit the project website at http://www.swflroads.com/project/446681-1](http://www.swflroads.com/project/446681-1).

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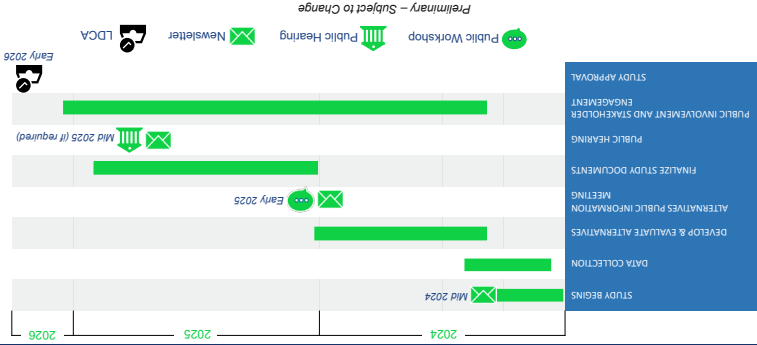
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## PROJECT SCHEDULE



## 446681-1-22-01: Study Schedule

Over the next several months, project activities will include data collection and public outreach. Opportunities for public input will be provided throughout the study. FDOT encourages the public to be involved throughout the study by providing comments, asking questions, and offering suggestions. An Alternatives Public Meeting is tentatively scheduled for early 2025.

FDOT solicits public participation without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. People who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Cynthia Sykes, District One Title VI Coordinator, at (863) 519-2287, or email at [cynthia.sykes@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:cynthia.sykes@dot.state.fl.us). The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable federal environmental laws for this project are being, or have been, carried out by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) pursuant to 23 U.S.C. § 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by the Federal Highway Administration and FDOT.