

WELCOME TO THE PUBLIC WORKSHOP

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District One, welcomes you to the Public Workshop for the State Road (SR) 684 (Cortez Rd W) at Royal Palm Drive project. FDOT is hosting this Public Meeting to provide you with the opportunity to express your views about the proposed improvements. Scan the QR code to visit the project website for additional details.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

FDOT has identified the need for safety improvements at SR 684 (Cortez Rd W) at Royal Palm Drive in Bradenton, Manatee County.

This project proposes a traffic signal and permanent median modifications to reduce conflict points and improve safety for SR 684 (Cortez Rd W) at Royal Palm Drive. This signal will include a pedestrian crossing to cross Cortez Road. With the new traffic signal, access to 102nd Street West and 101st Street West/Valeria Avenue will be affected by the signal and the turn lane improvements. The project plans are available for review. You can reach out to the project manager to obtain a copy of the plans and discuss the project.





PROPOSED DESIGN IMPROVEMENTS

- Traffic signal at Royal Palm Drive with eastbound/westbound protected-permissive left turn movements (flashing yellow arrows)
- Signalized pedestrian crossings
- Eastbound and westbound left turn lanes extended with raised traffic separators
- Raised pedestrian refuge/directional island at 101st Street W/Valeria Avenue
- Current Status: 60% design
- Construction Summer 2025



ALTERNATE ROUTES

LEGEND

-  Existing Emergency Signal
-  Proposed Traffic Signal
-  New way to access 102nd St W from westbound SR 684
-  New way to exit 102nd St W and 101st St W to head west on SR 684



PROPOSED DESIGN BENEFITS

- Improved safety - reduction in total crashes
- Improved intersection awareness
- Improved pedestrian safety
- Nearest signalized pedestrian crossing is nearly 1 mile away
- Visually impaired pedestrians in the area
- Signal will provide traffic gaps - safer entry to SR 684 from adjacent side streets
- Access management - Mitigate side street related crashes immediately adjacent to Royal Palm Drive

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

The official comment period will be open from June 6, 2024, through July 8, 2024, with the in-person component on June 13, 2024. After reviewing the meeting materials, you can submit any comments that you may have on the project in three ways:

- through links on the project website
- by emailing the FDOT Project Manager, Walter Breuggeman, at walter.breuggeman@dot.state.fl.us,
- mailing your comment or questionnaire to Walter Breuggeman FDOT District One, 801 Broadway Ave, P.O. Box 1249, Bartow, FL 33831

Please note that comments must be received (or postmarked if mailed) by July 8, 2024, to be part of the meeting record. The project team will post a summary of the comments received to the project website approximately 30 days following the end of the comment period.



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