

Project Website:

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Airport Gateway

Project Highlights

- The purpose of the project is to create a unique, safety-enhanced, multimodal gateway entrance into Downtown, FSU, and FAMU from the Tallahassee International Airport. Other project goals include expanded investment in Southwest Tallahassee-Leon County, supporting local growth of the high-tech sector in areas such as Innovation Park, and improving neighborhood safety.
- The project includes planned improvements for over 7 miles of southwest area roadways, a new road within FSU's southwest campus, and includes approximately 12 miles of new sidewalks, bicycle lanes, and multiuse trails.

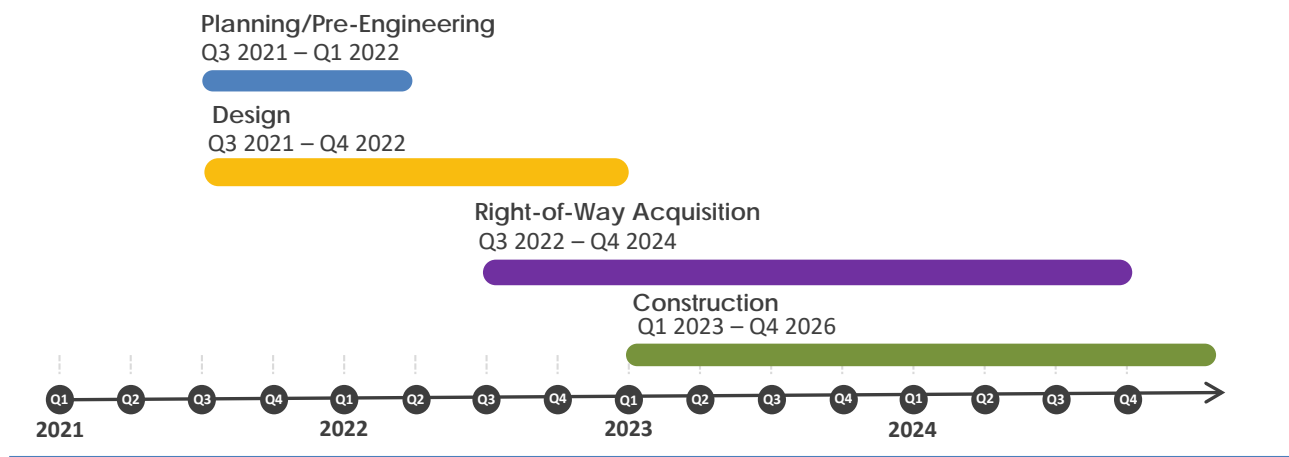
Current Status

- The Southwest Area Transportation Plan, which provides planning and analysis of existing traffic data for road segments included in this project, was completed in 2019.
- Planning for the Airport Gateway is underway. A project kickoff meeting for Phase 1 was held March 5, 2021. The design of roadway improvements for Springhill Road, Stuckey Avenue, and a new road within FSU's southwest campus, as well as Levy Avenue and neighborhood improvements, are scheduled for Phase 1.
- Blueprint staff are coordinating with the Florida Department of Transportation regarding its current PD&E Study of Orange Avenue from Monroe Street to Capital Circle Southwest. The FDOT PD&E Study will be completed in 2021.

Next Steps

- Advance the Levy Avenue Roadway Improvements.
- Continue development of improvement alternatives in Phase I.
- Complete the traffic analysis.

Timeline



Community Engagement: Public engagement is ongoing through all phases of a project, from concept to construction, programming, and maintenance. Public engagement is two-way communication inclusive of all decision-makers and stakeholders. Each Blueprint project will have a customized Public Engagement Plan that is developed at the start of the project, and outreach activities and techniques will vary from project to project, as each project's outcome and stakeholder community character is unique.

Design: The design phase includes development of final plans and construction documents for the Airport Gateway project and associated facilities.

Right of Way Acquisition: This phase will consist of efforts to acquire any right of way fee and/or easement parcels necessary to complete the project. Any right of way acquisitions necessitated will be undertaken consistent with [Blueprint Real Estate Policy](#) and Florida State Statutes.

Construction: Construction work will fully implement the final design plans for Airport Gateway.

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Airport Gateway Project Phasing

Project Segment

Phase 1

Phase 2

Phase 3

