



Northeast Gateway: Welaunee Boulevard

Project Highlights

- Project goals are to improve regional mobility, enhance connectivity, and protect canopy roads by reducing transportation pressures on surrounding roadways.
- The project will extend Welaunee Boulevard to Roberts Road, and create a two-lane extension of Shamrock Street to Welaunee Boulevard, creating a new gateway into northeast Tallahassee-Leon County.
- The 8-mile Welaunee Greenway will connect to the existing Miccosukee Greenway creating a 17-mile loop.

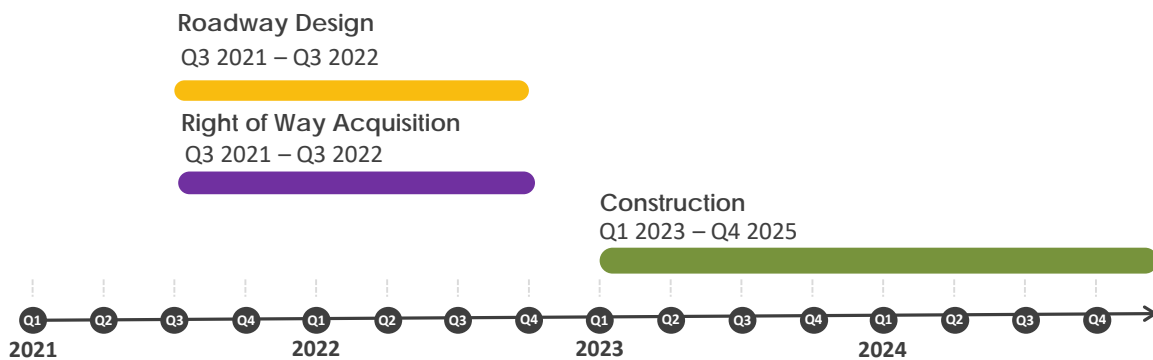
Current Status

- The Northeast Gateway Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study was accepted by the IA Board at their June 15, 2021 meeting.
- An application for a State of Florida Department of Transportation State Infrastructure Bank (SIB) loan for \$25,500,000 was submitted on June 30, 2021. The SIB loan is included in the District 3 Draft Tentative Five-Year Work Program [[linked here](#)].
- Project design began in July 2021.

Next Steps

- Design is anticipated to be completed in Q4 2022.
- Construction is anticipated to begin in Q1 2023 and last three years.
- With the submission of the final PD&E study to FDOT in July 2021, the NE Gateway project continues on schedule towards construction in 2023.
- The I-10 interchange development study process could begin in 2023, and is dependent upon Welaunee Boulevard being substantially underway.

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 NE Gateway roadways and associated facilities (stormwater, multimodal facilities, etc.) as well as design of the Welaunee Greenway and trailheads. Stakeholder and community input will be taken into account for final design.

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 the Northeast Gateway.

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