Project Highlights

- The Northwest Connector provides funding to improve Tharpe Street from Ocala Road to Capital Circle Northwest.
- The project adds approximately nine miles of additional trail and sidewalk connectivity.
- The project also improves access to Old Bainbridge County Park near Tower Road, and Stoneler Road County Park, on Stoneler Road.

Current Status

- At the March 9, 2023 IA Board meeting, the IA Board accepted an update on the NW Connector project, and authorized Blueprint to advertise and award a contract for planning and design services.
- The corridor study has been procured and will begin in April 2024.
Next Steps

- Following procurement of services, Blueprint will begin the planning and design phases of this project.
- The planning process for this project is anticipated to be approximately two years.

Timeline

**Planning**
Q4 2023 – Q3 2025

**Design**
Q4 2025 – Q4 2026

**Construction**
Q1 2027 – Q4 2030

**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.

**Planning:** The planning phase involves work identifying tasks, deliverables, and processes that are vital to successful project completion.

**Design:** The design phase includes development of plans and construction documents for the Northwest Connector roadways and associated facilities.

**Construction:** Construction work will fully implement the final design plans for the Northwest Connector.

Q1: January – March
Q2: April – June
Q3: July – September
Q4: October – December