

Florida Department of Transportation

Drayton Island Ferry Landing Project

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The Drayton Island Ferry Landing project will replace the structurally deficient ferry landings (Bridge Nos 764040, 764041) with economical, long-lasting, and environmentally sound structures. The existing landings currently consist of timber pile structures that were originally constructed in 1939 and rebuilt in 1990.

Based on the capacity and conditions of the landings, the size and weight of the vehicles is limited that can currently access the island, including emergency and construction vehicles, is restricted. In addition to upgrading the landings, modifications and improvements to the existing roadway approaches will also be included in this contract.

The new landings will be constructed adjacent to the existing timber structures to allow existing ferry access to be maintained for the island residents during construction.



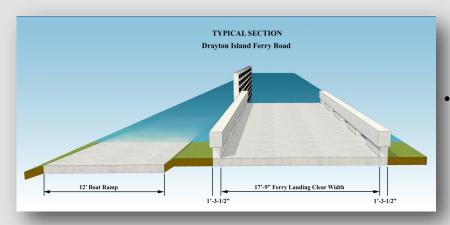


This construction sequence avoids the need of temporary structures thus resulting in lower project costs and reduced impacts to this sensitive and unique environment.

The construction time frame is about 9 months to a year, but there are several variables we are unable to account for such as bad weather delays, tidal Influences and water current, and wind. The boat launch will be unusable for the entire time the mainland landing is being constructed.

Construction Schedule Summer 2021

Construction Cost \$2.5 Million



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Frequently Asked Questions

- Closure of the Boat Ramp—The existing boat ramp will be closed soon after construction begins since the new landing will be located in the area of the existing ramp. A new boat ramp will be constructed adjacent to the new landing, though the ramp will not be operational until construction of the entire project is completed.
- Closures of the Ferry—The project has been designed to allow the existing landings and ferry traffic to remain operational throughout most of the project.
- Improvements in the Area—New concrete bridges will be built to serve as permanent landings along with new fender systems, roadway, and drainage improvements.
- Weight Capacity of the Landings and Accommodations of Vehicles—The new landing bridges will allow vehicles weighing up to 72,000 lb. to be accommodated.

Drayton Island Ferry Landing Proposed Improvements

