



# **Welcome!**

**Thank you for attending the First Coast  
Expressway St. Johns River Bridge  
Construction Open House.**



# First Coast Expressway New St. Johns River Bridge FIN 422938-7





# **Florida Department of Transportation**

## **Title VI**

**Public participation at this meeting is encouraged and solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status.**



**If you have questions about the project,  
please submit them through the Questions  
feature or raise your hand and a member of  
staff will respond.**

# Project Information

**Project description:** The scope of work includes all investigation, design, permitting, coordination, final approved construction documents, and construction activities necessary for the construction of the First Coast Expressway (SR 23) from east of the CR 16A Spur to east of CR 209 and additional improvements.

**Construction Start:** May 2023

**Estimated Completion:** 2030

**Cost:** \$595 million

**Contractor:** Johnson Bros./American Bridge





# Project Improvements

- Length: 6.5 miles, including a 9,300-foot bridge
- Increased speed limit of 70 mph
- 65-foot vertical clearance
- Two 12-foot wide travel lanes in each direction
- 12-foot wide outside shoulders
- 12-foot, 8.5-inch wide shared use path on the northbound side of the bridge to accommodate pedestrians and bicyclists



# Project Improvements

- Once the new bridge is completed, FDOT will demolish most of the existing Shands bridge, leaving a portion of the bridge on both the Clay and St. Johns sides of the river for recreational purposes
- FDOT investments in these new recreational facilities include barrier walls, parking, lighting, ADA accommodations and sidewalks





# Lane Closure Restrictions

- No lane closures allowed from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. and no detours allowed from 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. on SR 23, SR 16, SR 13, CR 16A, CR 210, Longleaf Pine Parkway
- No lane closures or detours allowed on existing Shands Bridge
- No lane closures allowed from 6 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on Leonard C. Taylor Parkway
- Lane closures for the upcoming week are posted every Friday afternoon at [www.nflroads.com/trafficreport](http://www.nflroads.com/trafficreport).



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