



Memorandum

Memorandum No. 25-094

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the Fort Lauderdale City Commission

FROM: Rickelle Williams, City Manager *RW*

DATE: June 27, 2025

**SUBJECT: Bridge Rehabilitation Project - State Road (SR) 736/
Davie Boulevard Bridge over the South Fork of the New River**

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide an update regarding the upcoming bridge rehabilitation project for the State Road (SR) 736/Davie Boulevard Bridge over the South Fork of the New River led by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

The proposed improvements include the replacement of key electrical components and span locks, renovation of the bridge tender house, and repair and replacement of the marine fenders and the seawall to prevent bank erosion. Additional work will include modifications to the generator platform and sidewalk deck, spot painting of fascia elements, upgrades to the bridge lighting to enhance nighttime safety, and minor roadway repaving at both ends of the bridge. Construction is anticipated to commence in Spring 2027 and be completed within a year. The project information flyer including construction impacts is included as Attachment 1 to this memorandum.

In connection with the upcoming project, FDOT hosted a public meeting on Monday, June 23, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Riverland Branch Library, located at 2710 West Davie Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312. The public was also able to participate virtually using the link: <https://bit.ly/SR736-DavieBlvdBridge-PM>. The City's Strategic Communications division supplemented FDOT's outreach efforts in advance of the meeting.

As part of the outreach efforts, to date, FDOT staff have met with the following stakeholders:

- City's District 4 Commission office
- City's Police and Fire Departments, Transportation & Mobility Department, and Chief Waterways Officer
- Marine Industries Association of South Florida
- Broward Health Medical Center

Meetings are also being coordinated with the Shady Banks Civic Association, Tarpon River Civic Association, and Riverside Park Residents Association.

For further information, please contact Milos Majstorovic, Acting Director of Transportation and Mobility, at 954-828-5216 or mmajstorovic@fortlauderdale.gov

Attachment: FDOT Project Information Flyer

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Bridge Rehabilitation Project - State Road (SR) 736/ Davie Boulevard Bridge over the South Fork of the New River

Financial Numbers: 449691-1-52-01

Project Lengths: 0.08 miles

Project Limits: SR 736/ Davie Boulevard Bridge over the South Fork of the New River

Public Meeting: The public meeting will be offered in-person and virtually simultaneously on **Monday, June 23, 2025, at 5:30 p.m. at the Riverland Branch Library located at 2710 W. Davie Boulevard, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33312.**

To participate in the **virtual public meeting** from your computer, tablet or smartphone please register using the link: <https://bit.ly/SR736-DavieBlvdBridge-PM>.

Participants can also use their phone by dialing **+1 (415) 655-0052**; Access Code: **351-268-168**.

Projected Letting: September 2026

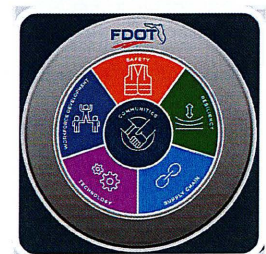
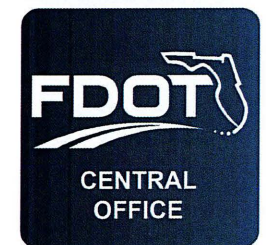
Anticipated Construction Start Date: Spring 2027

Anticipated Construction End Date: Spring 2028

Estimated Construction Cost: \$17.5 M

Scope of Work:

- Replace important electrical components and wiring
- Replace span locks which connect the two halves of the movable bridge deck when the bridge is in the "down" position
- Renovate the bridge tender house
- Repair the existing navigation/marine fenders in the waterway, including replacement of the decking and wales
- Modify generator platform
- Improve maintenance access to electrical and mechanical components
- Minor sidewalk deck modifications
- Spot paint fascia elements as needed
- Repair seawall to prevent bank erosion
- Upgrade lighting at the bridge to enhance safety for nighttime users of the corridor



- Minor repaving of the roadway at ends of the bridge

Construction Impacts:

- Work will be done in phases to minimize impacts to the community
- Full and partial bridge closures will occur only during specific phases and detours will be provided utilizing Riverland Rd., US 1/Federal Highway, and SR 842/Broward Boulevard
- Full bridge closures will occur during non-peak (i.e. nighttime) hours, and will not occur during major special events
- Each phase requiring a full (nighttime only) or partial bridge closure is expected to be one month or less
- Temporary lane closures will be required for some phases (such as minor repaving) and will occur during non-peak hours
- Pedestrian traffic will be maintained on the side of the bridge opposite from any ongoing construction
- Access to properties on both sides of the bridge will be maintained during construction
- Another public meeting (Construction Open House) will be held prior to construction. Detailed information about how to keep informed of potential construction impacts will be provided at this meeting.
- Marine vessel traffic will be maintained with temporary closure on half the channel during fender construction
- Modification to the draw bridge operation schedule will be coordinated with the United States Coast Guard

Documents:

Point of Contact:

Para información y preguntas en Español, por favor llame al (954) 777-4302.

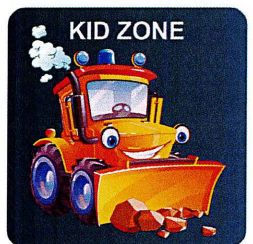
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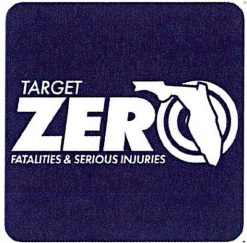
Project Location Map:



Project Photos

Pre-Construction





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