

# TAMPA BAY NEXT UPDATE

Marshall Hampton, P.E. FDOT District Seven

Wednesday, September 12, 2018







#### **Public Involvement**

# Public Feedback: Do Something

"Cut-through traffic is a problem in my neighborhood."

"I'm sick of daily traffic backups. Fix the bottlenecks."

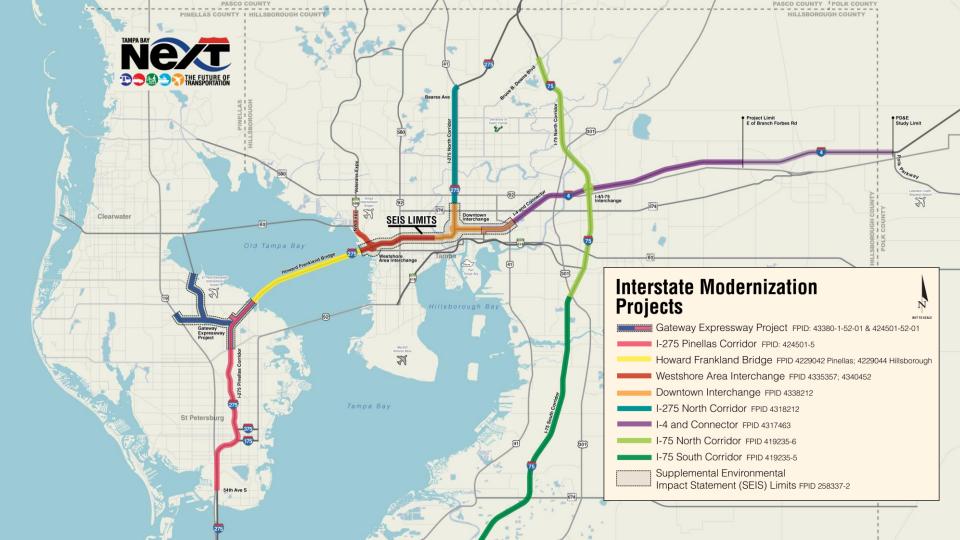
"I don't feel safe biking or walking." "Improve traffic signals and timing."











#### **Gateway Expressway**

- Construction is Underway
- Scheduled to be completed in 2021
- Adds Express Lanes to I-275
- Constructs 2 New Elevated Expressways
  - From US 19 to I-275
  - From the Bayside Bridge to I-275











# **Howard Frankland Bridge**

Industry Forum: September 17, 2018

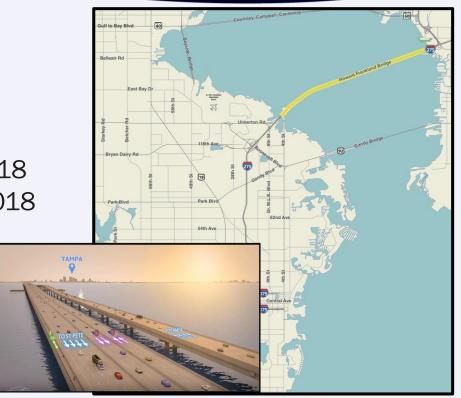
Cost Estimate: \$814.4 Million

**Draft RFP Released:** September 10, 2018

Design-Build Ad Date: December 10, 2018

Contract Letting: October 8, 2019

Contract Award: November 8, 2019



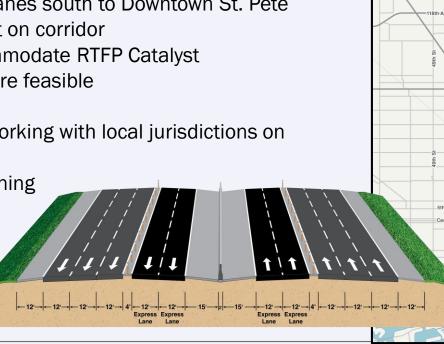






#### **I-275 Pinellas Corridor**

- Lane continuity from 54<sup>th</sup> Ave South to Gandy Blvd.
- Reviewing extending express lanes south to Downtown St. Pete
- Opportunity to integrate transit on corridor
- Working with TBARTA to accommodate RTFP Catalyst Project recommendations where feasible
- Project likely to include:
  - Right of way for ponds (working with local jurisdictions on potential sites)
  - Concrete pavement widening
  - Shoulder reconstruction
  - Bridge widening
  - Noise walls
- Public hearing Spring 2019

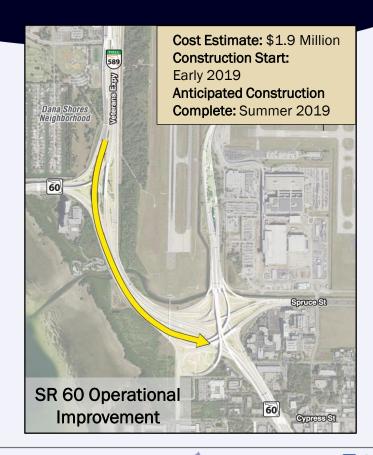






## **Operational Improvements**







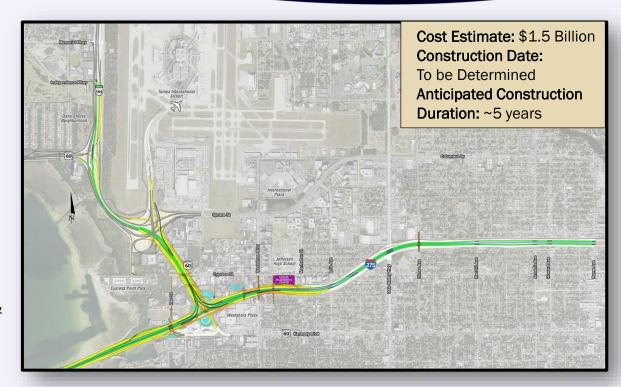






# Westshore Interchange Reconstruction

- Reconstructed interchange will alleviate existing bottlenecks
- Adds capacity on I-275 with 3 general purpose lanes and 2 express lanes in each direction
- Provides direct express lane connection to Tampa International Airport
- Dedicated ramp from Kennedy Blvd. to Tampa International Airport
- Connects Veterans Expressway to I-275 via SR 60 express lanes
- Provides for new connections under I-275 at Reo Street, Occident Street, & Trask Street
- Reo Street connects to southbound I-275









#### **SEIS Update**

#### Where Are We In The Process?



We are here



ALL documents remain in DRAFT form and open for public comment until after the Public Hearing in 2019.

SEIS Began January 2017 Public Workshop October 2017 Preparation of Documents Ongoing

Public Workshop December 2018 SEIS Public Hearing Summer 2019

\*A Preferred Alternative will be recommended after the December 2018 Public Workshop.







#### **Transit**

FDOT is a transit partner.

We're working with local agencies to explore ways to integrate transit into the program.





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#### **Bus on Shoulder Pilot Project**

- Project will be FDOT-led design/build to widen the shoulders on I-275 in Pinellas County from 5<sup>th</sup> Ave N (SR-595/Alt-19) to Gandy Blvd
  - \$2.5M has been allocated for the project
- Concept of Operation is under development
  - Will establish the operation protocol for buses
- Design-build ad date: August 27, 2018
- Schedule to be determined



Example of Metro Transit bus on shoulder Minneapolis, Minnesota







#### **Outreach**



#### **Recent Outreach**

August 22 – Northern US 19
Business Owners Roundtable
Discussion
September 10 – Harris
Neighborhood Association

## **Upcoming Outreach**

September 17 – Howard Frankland Bridge Industry Forum October 18 (tentative) – Pinellas Community Working Group

#### **SEIS Public Workshop**

December 10 – SEIS 2nd Public Workshop #1 December 13 – SEIS 2nd Public Workshop #2







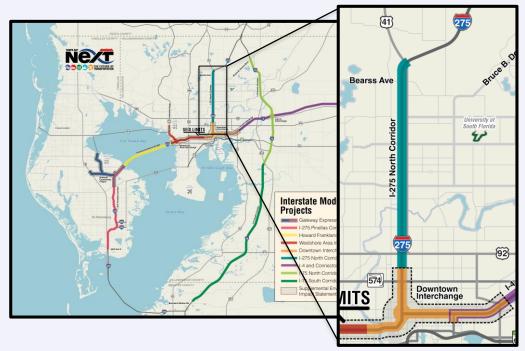


# **Questions/Discussion**





I-275 North Corridor – Under PD&E Study





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#### **I-275 North**

- Near term improvements <u>within the</u> <u>existing Right of Way</u>
- Wide shoulder for transit\*
- Interchange improvements along corridor
- Bike/Ped safety enhancements at interchanges
- Aesthetics and noise walls



\*Pending TBARTA Study



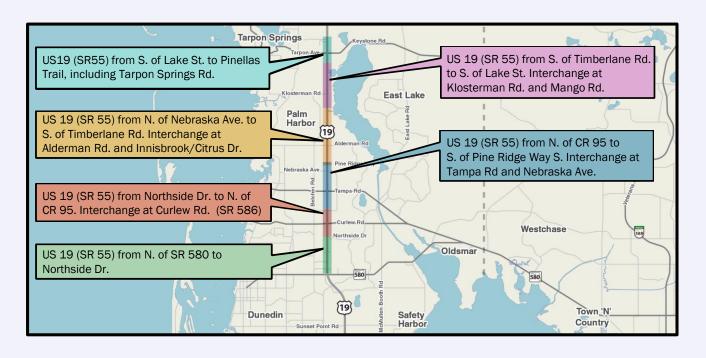






## **US 19 N Projects**

### **US 19 Public Workshop**





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