

Central Polk Parkway/SR 570B From Polk Parkway/SR 570 to US 17/SR 35

Project Description

Florida's Turnpike Enterprise is constructing Central Polk Parkway/State Road (SR) 570B, a new, four-lane (two lanes in each direction) tolled roadway. This new stretch of roadway will begin at Polk Parkway/SR 570 and Winter Lake Road/SR 540 and extend approximately 6.5 miles to US 17/SR 35. Central Polk Parkway will serve future traffic needs by accommodating population growth in Polk County, providing a more direct route for north and south commuter and truck traffic, as well as expanding emergency evacuation options.

Benefits from this project include:

- Increasing roadway capacity for commuters and travelers in West Central Florida
- Reducing congestion and improving connectivity by providing a more direct route from US 17/SR 35 to Winter Lake Road/SR 540, Polk Parkway, and Interstate 4
- Delivering a more resilient facility by using pavement materials designed to help rainwater drain off the roadway quickly
- Enhancing safety by installing skid resistant pavement on travel lane surfaces to improve vehicle braking and reduce road noise
- Providing additional safety measures by installing:
 - o New guardrails meeting the latest height requirements
 - Wrong-way driver detection technology at all interchange exit ramps to monitor, detect, and deter wrong-way drivers
 - Highly reflective signage and pavement markings to improve visibility in all lighting and weather conditions

Construction and Traffic Impacts

Construction will take place during both daytime and nighttime hours. Nearby residents and businesses may experience periodic construction light, noise, vibration, and dust. The Enterprise takes steps to reduce construction impacts and efforts will be made to limit traffic and noise disruptions.

Lane closures will generally take place during off peak hours to minimize traffic congestion and delays for most drivers. Closures will be announced in advance in the Central and West Central Florida Weekly Lane Closures and Work Zone Advisory.

Schedule and Funding

Construction Schedule

Work is anticipated to be completed in late 2029.

Cost and Funding The project cost is approximately \$257 million.

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