



Gratigny Parkway East Extension – Project Development & Environment Study

Project Overview

The Miami-Dade Expressway Authority (MDX) has initiated a Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for the proposed eastward extension of the SR 924/Gratigny Parkway to I-95. This project would provide a connection from Gratigny Parkway, and its connections at I-75 and SR 826, to I-95. This extension will provide a more integrated highway system by improving access and mobility to and from major origin and destinations in northern Miami-Dade County including employment centers in the cities of North Miami, Opa-Locka, Hialeah and Miami Lakes. During the PD&E process several alternatives will be evaluated including those along the existing Gratigny Parkway corridor as well as alternatives related to new ramp connections to I-95. This project will be developed in cooperation with local transportation agencies and is consistent with both Miami-Dade County's Comprehensive Development Master Plan and the 2035 Long Range Transportation Plan.

Project Limits

The limits of the project extend along SR 924/Gratigny Parkway/NW 119th Street, from the eastern terminus of Gratigny Parkway to I-95, a distance of approximately 2.5 miles. New ramp connections to I-95 between NW 103rd Street and NW 135th Street will also be evaluated during the study.

Scope of Work

The objective of the PD&E Study is to perform preliminary engineering studies and to evaluate the potential social, natural and physical environmental impacts of the different alternatives. These studies are used to support decisions concerning if and where the improvements should be built. During the study, several alternatives for a direct access connection to I-95 from the Gratigny Parkway will be analyzed and evaluated. The study will involve close coordination with a variety of stakeholders including residents, business owners, elected officials and other government agencies that have jurisdiction in the project area. MDX will provide continuous public involvement efforts throughout the duration of the study to ensure the public's input in the development and selection of the project alternatives.

Project Benefits

- Alleviate future traffic congestion along NW 119th Street
- Provide better access to the existing highway network
- Reduce travel times and minimize delays by separating through traffic from local traffic
- Provide a critical east-west connection in the northern part of Miami-Dade County
- Provide enhancements to the community which may include the removal of existing lanes, improved pedestrian connectivity, wider sidewalks, lighting, bike lanes and landscaping.

Project Schedule

This PD&E Study began in June 2010 and is anticipated to conclude by June 2012.

For More Information

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