

Wekiva River Oaks & Wekiva Park Drive Community Meeting

November 1, 2022

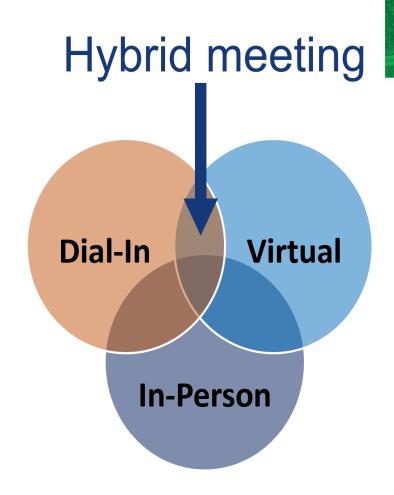






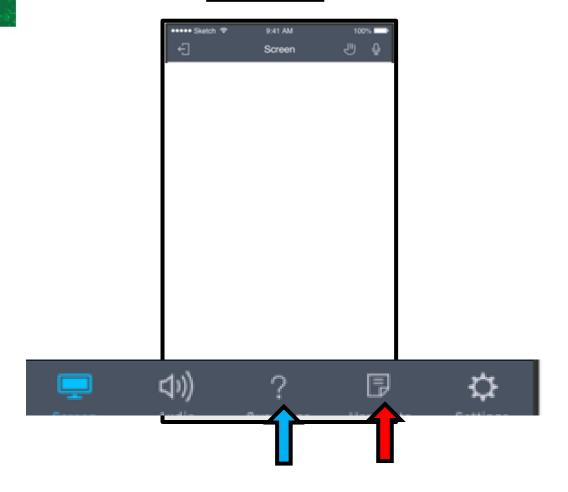
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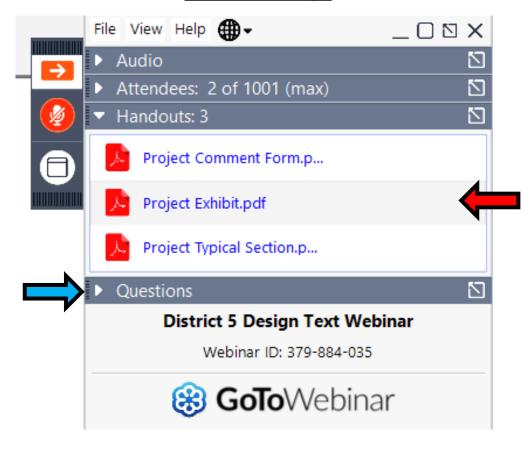


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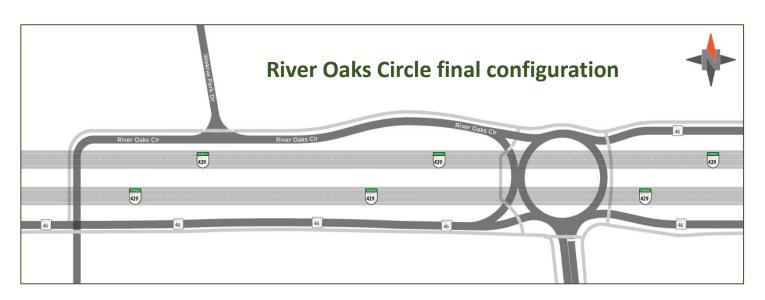
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How we got here: Parkway progress

- July 2021: Traffic shifted onto new State Road (S.R.) 46 frontage roads and roundabouts
- May 2022: Parkway opens from State Road 429 in Sorrento to Longwood Markham Road
- August 2022: Parkway opens from Longwood Markham Road to near Orange Boulevard
- October 2022: I-4 westbound ramp to S.R. 429 southbound / westbound opens







Resident concerns

- Errant traffic taking River Oaks Circle when trying to get to S.R. 46 west
 - Drivers overlooking signs to take second exit on Osprey Hammock Trail roundabout
- Many vehicles including tractor trailers and vehicles towing large RVs - entering and turning around in Wekiva River Oaks
 - Pedestrian and school bus safety concerns
 - Errant vehicles turning around in yards, driveways
 - Errant vehicles speeding out of community once realizing mistake
- Errant vehicles on Wekiva Park Drive: Some semi's back up once they realize their mistake
- Large trucks swerving into opposite lane at the curve north of the Wekiva River bridge over River Oaks Circle







Short-term solutions

- Field meetings and reviews
- Additional signs and warning devices
- Collaboration with residents and Seminole County
- Motorist educational outreach









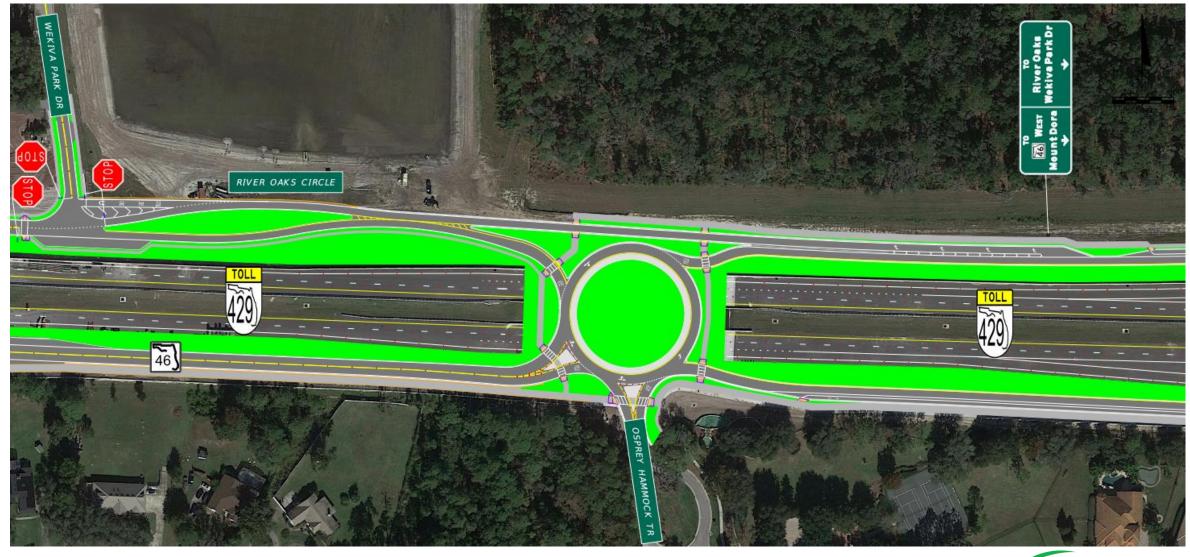








Long-term solution: River Oaks Circle bypass





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- Decision point for local road access: 500 feet before roundabout
- Overhead signs will make it clear to continue straight to remain on S.R. 46 west
- Concrete traffic separator between through and bypass lanes
- Drivers continuing straight will not be able to directly access River Oaks Circle

Osprey Hammock Trail roundabout re-direction



- New roundabout configuration restricts access to River Oaks Circle
- Those mistakenly missing the bypass entrance can proceed on S.R. 46 east to make a U-turn at Longwood Markham Road



Emergency truck turnaround at Wekiva Park Drive



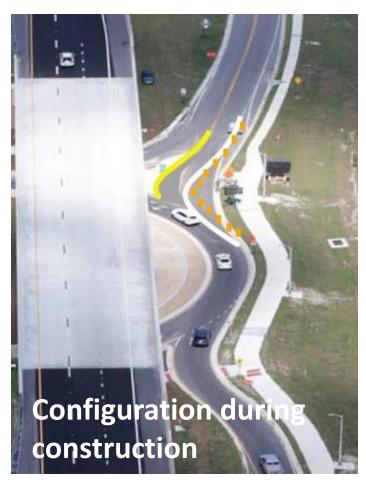
- Emergency truck turnaround for those who mistakenly take the bypass
- Three-way stop provides an opportunity for drivers to evaluate before entering neighborhoods
- A temporary turnaround will be provided during construction



First steps of construction: Temporary traffic control

- Remove pedestrian island at River Oaks Circle exit
- Striping and barrels will make taking this exit more difficult
 - Allow bypass lane construction
 - Make exit a less desired movement
- Pedestrian and bicycle traffic will be directed to the south sidewalk between Longwood Markham Road and River Oaks Circle







Work schedule

- Concept design refinements continue
- Contractor has been acquired and administrative steps are being taken
- National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Reevaluation: Environmental requirements are being processed
- Contractor anticipates starting within a couple weeks of concept final design
- FDOT will keep the communities updated on construction activities and schedules





Landscaping update

- Plans: 77% of plant species are native
- Underway: Section 6 landscaping (Lake County)
 - Estimated completion -Spring 2023
- Ongoing coordination with community and agency stakeholders
 - Seminole County will maintain S.R. 46 and roundabouts
- Contractor award pending: Seminole County portions of Sections 6, 7A and 7B (one project)
 - Work to begin after Section 7A completion in late November – early December



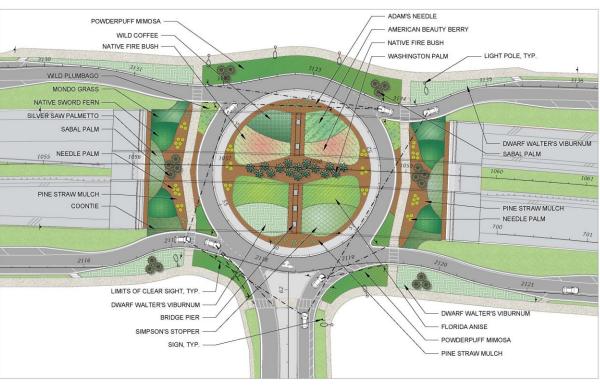






Roundabout landscaping







Next steps

Thank you for participating in this process. We value your feedback.

FDOT staff will now:

- Review feedback received from the community meeting in consideration of any possible concept refinements
- Provide the finalized design concept to contractor to schedule work

We look forward to providing a solution that addresses your communities' concerns to the greatest extent possible.



For comments and questions

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