



SELMON EXPRESSWAY

WHY IS THE SELMON SO IMPORTANT?



EVACUATION ROUTE

Key part of the region's Strategic Intermodal System (SIS) and a designated emergency evacuation route.



SAFER ROADS

Capacity improvements are designed to keep traffic flowing and curtail potentially dangerous backups at Selmon entry and exit points.



IMPORTANT ALTERNATE

Serves as the alternative route to I-275 during road closures and back-ups.



CONNECTIVITY

Provides regional connection between Downtown Tampa and other major population centers, key destinations, and major employment areas.

South Selmon Capacity Project



Willow Avenue

Living in Tampa Bay, you've likely noticed tremendous growth around you. It's an exciting time for our region, and we are fortunate to live, work, and play in this place we call home.

However, while living in a flourishing community has many positives, growth brings challenges, one of which is congestion on our roadways.

For example, the Lee Roy Selmon Expressway has seen an over 80% increase in traffic over the last decade. And with hundreds of thousands of new residents expected to move to the Tampa Bay region over the coming years, our mobility challenges will only continue to grow.

The South Selmon Capacity Project will address current and future congestion challenges, augment roadway safety and help keep cut-through traffic off Bayshore Boulevard and other neighborhood roads.

THEA will increase the capacity of the Lee Roy Selmon Expressway by one lane, in each direction, over an approximate 4.5-mile span extending from the eastern end of the Selmon Extension to the six-lane section near the overpass at Whiting Street in Downtown Tampa.

As part of the planning process, THEA conducted a noise study and discovered that according to Federal guidelines, noise walls were not warranted. However, because THEA is committed to being a good neighbor, we will build sound walls along the enhanced route.

THEA's design-build RFP offers the contractor a \$5 million bonus to install the walls before major construction begins. Also, upon completion, THEA will reimagine and activate the Bay-to-Bay/MacDill underpass with a new dog park and community gathering spaces. The expected timeline for construction is 2024-2028.



Willow Avenue



The Selmon Expressway Benefits the Tampa Bay Area in Many Important Ways



Safer Roads - When traffic backs up on the Selmon, drivers can be tempted to use routes such as Bayshore Blvd., Bay-to-Bay Blvd. and Euclid Ave. South Selmon improvements will keep traffic flowing, curtail dangerous backups at entry and exit points and promote Vision Zero goals.



Community Focus - THEA respects community input and listens to resident concerns. Our commitment to construct sound walls along the entire portion of the South Selmon Expressway is in response to community input. Throughout the project, we will address community input.



Financial Stewardship - The South Selmon Capacity project uses NO TAX DOLLARS and is funded 100% through THEA's toll revenues and bonds, ensuring taxpayer dollars are reserved for other community needs. THEA uses toll revenues for many neighborhood enhancements.



Multi-Modal Compatibility - CSX tracks are not located within the footprint of the South Selmon Expressway, so it doesn't inhibit use of the tracks for transit use. Tolls and transit complement one another, and we support bringing all transportation options to market.



Vision Zero & Underpass Improvements - THEA will reimagine and redesign the underpass at Willow Ave. and Euclid Ave. The Bay-to-Bay/MacDill underpass will have a dog park and community space. THEA will continue underpass improvements throughout the entire South Selmon footprint with Vision Zero goals at the forefront.

ANTICIPATED CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE



We Want to Hear From You!

We are committed to engaging in ongoing communication with neighborhood residents, businesses and community stakeholders. To receive regular updates, submit questions or comments or to schedule a presentation, visit our website or join the discussion via our social media sites.

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