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SR 90/US 41/SW 8 St  
at SW 109 Ave Pedestrian Bridge  
FIN: 447046-1-52-01

**WELCOME!**

**State Road (SR) 90/US 41/SW 8 St  
at SW 109 Ave Pedestrian Bridge Project  
Public Meeting #2**

**Tuesday, February 28, 2023**

**The meeting will begin soon**



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- We would like to recognize any federal, state or city officials who may be present.



# Meeting Agenda

- Rules of Engagement
- Meet the Project Team
- Non-Discrimination Policy
- Project Information
- Project Location
- Project Schedule and Cost
- Project Scope of Work
- What to Expect During Construction
- Questions and Answers



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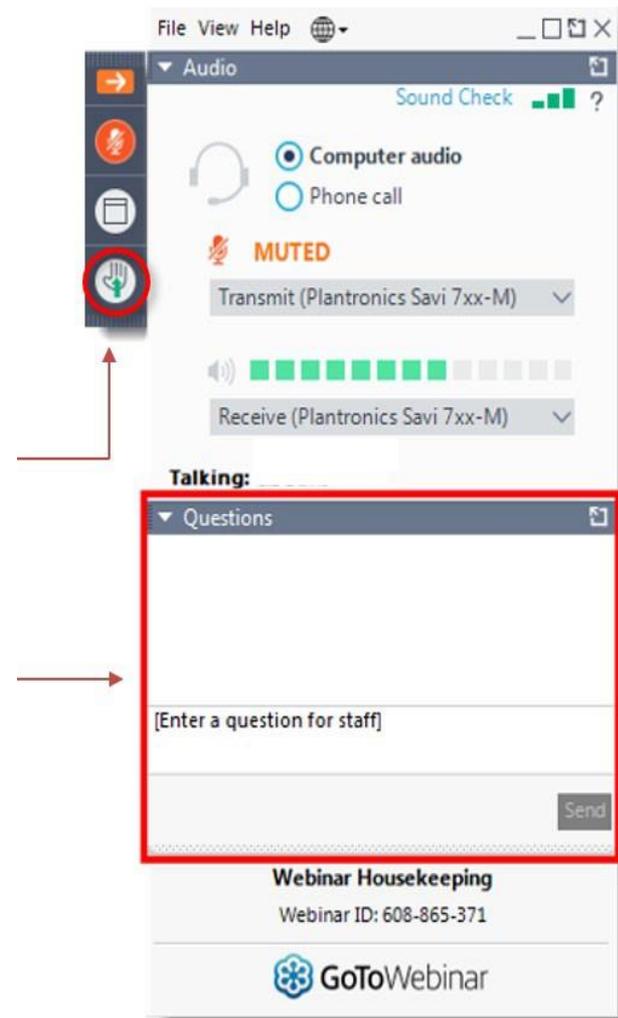
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# Project Team

- **FDOT Project Manager:** Humberto Gomez, P.E.
- **Consultant Design Project Manager:** Kathy Lajo, P.E.
- **Design Team Representative:** Daniel Raymat, P.E.
- **Community Outreach Specialist:** Sergies Duarte



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## District Six Title VI Coordinator

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Miami, FL 33172, email: [Nicholas.Danu@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Nicholas.Danu@dot.state.fl.us)

## State Title VI Coordinator

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605 Suwannee Street, MS 65,  
Tallahassee, FL 32399, email: [Stefan.Kulakowski@dot.state.fl.us](mailto:Stefan.Kulakowski@dot.state.fl.us)



# Project Information

## Purpose and Need:

- Improve safety by constructing a pedestrian bridge over SR 90/US 41/SW 8 Street and the C-4 Canal, west of SW 109 Avenue, that provides a safe connection between the City of Sweetwater and Florida International University

## Roles:

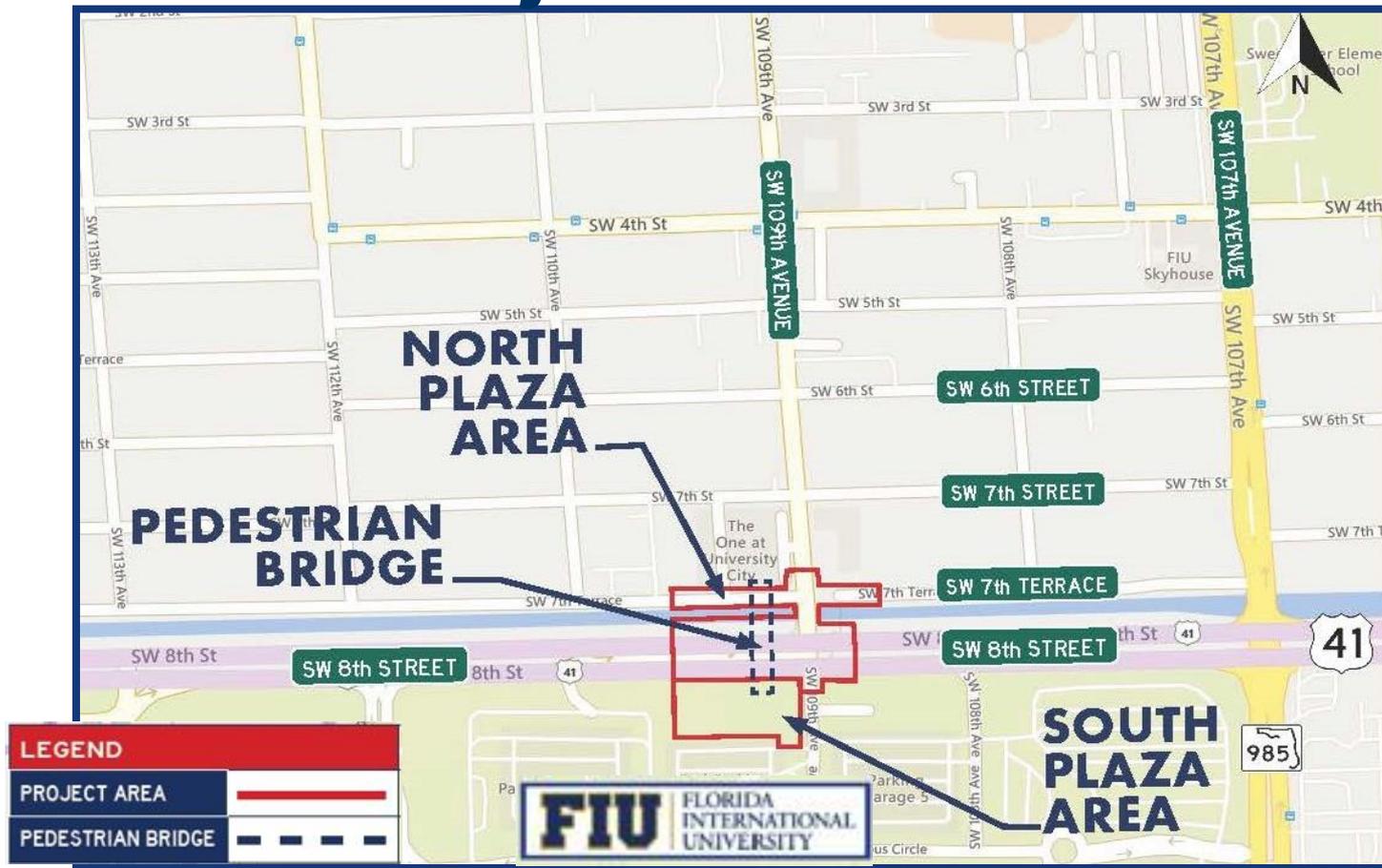
- **FDOT** will manage the design and construction of the bridge according to FDOT and Federal Guidelines
- **FIU** will own, maintain and operate the bridge

## Project Partners:





# Project Location





# Project Information

## Main factors considered:

- Safety
- Site constraints
- Constructability
- Budget
- Aesthetics



# Project Information

## Funding Type:

- Local funding (FIU)
- Federal funding (Grant and other federal funding)
- State funding

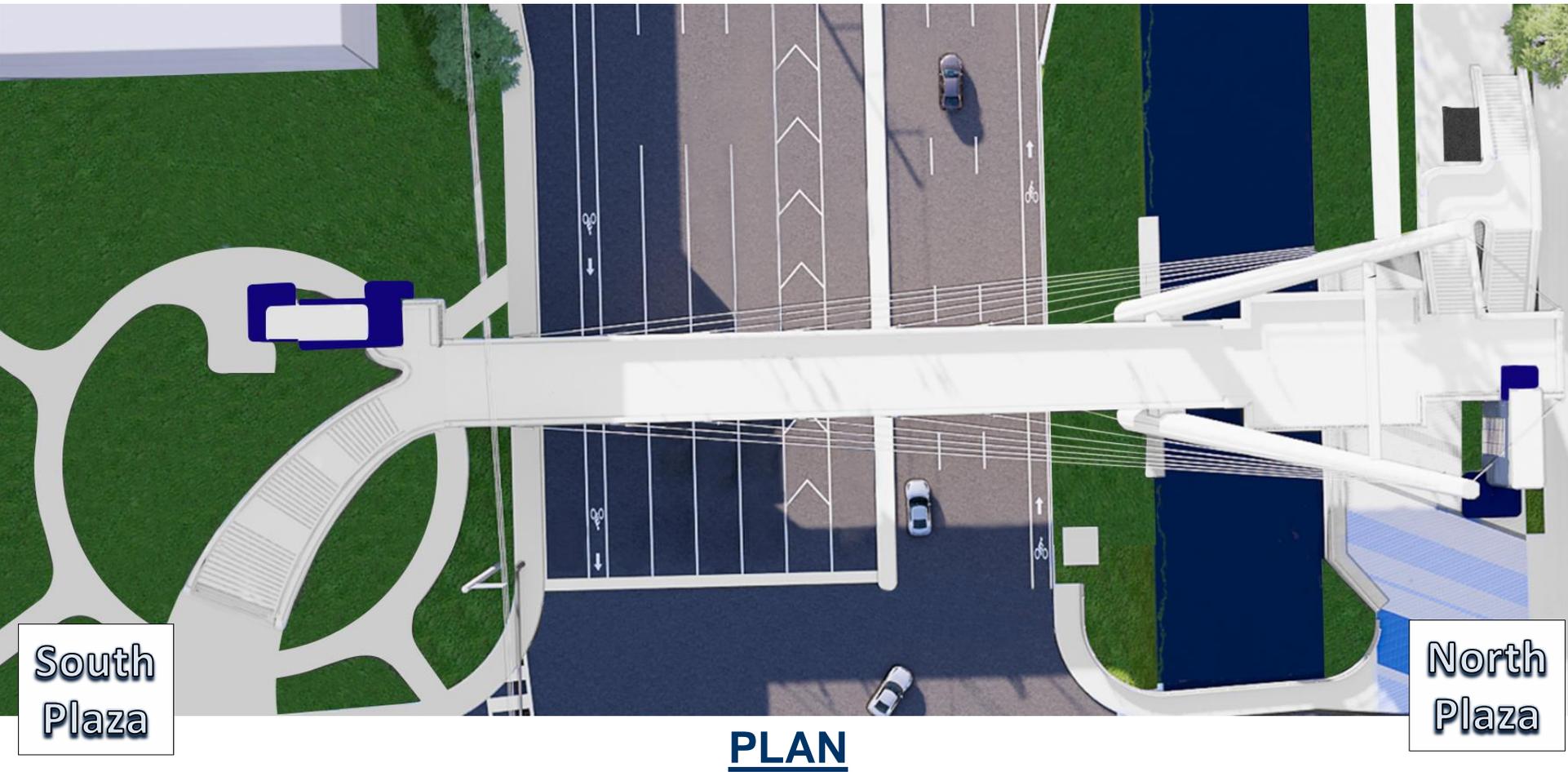


# Project Schedule and Cost

Milestone	Date
Production	2/10/2023
Letting Date	5/24/2023
Construction Start	Early 2024
Construction Duration	About two years
Construction End	Spring 2026
Construction Budget	\$18.2 million



# Project Overview



South  
Plaza

North  
Plaza

PLAN

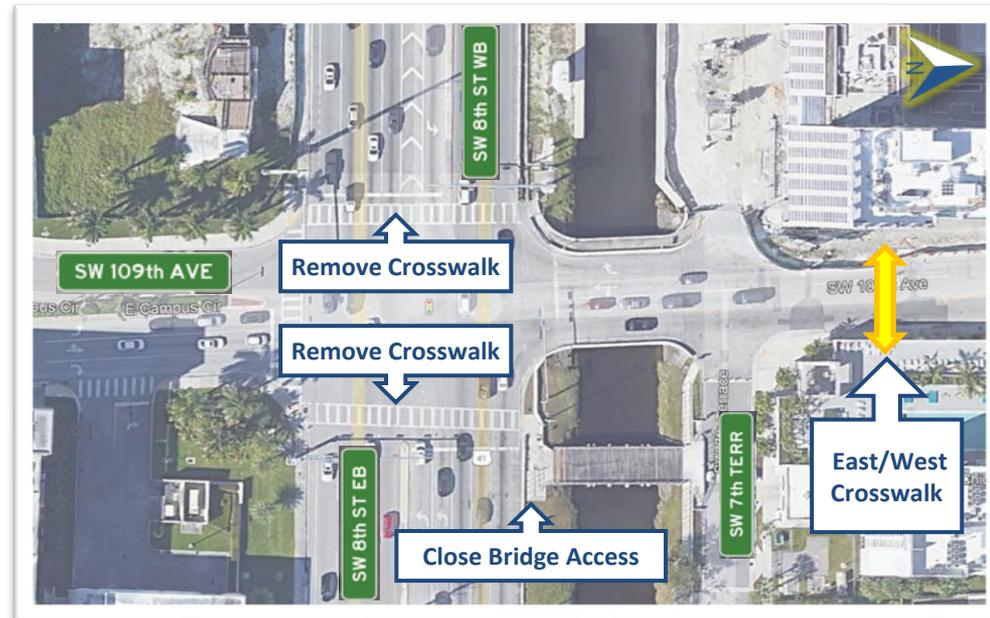


# Project Scope

- Installing a pedestrian bridge over SW 8 Street and the C-4 Canal, west of SW 109 Avenue
- Providing pedestrian plazas with elevators and stairs at the north and south landings
- Additional features include, but are not limited to, USB charging stations, wi-fi connections and security cameras
- Upgrading pedestrian signals, signs and curb ramps

# Project Scope

- Eliminating north-south crosswalks at the SW 8 Street and SW 109 Avenue intersection
- Closing existing historical bridge over C-4 Canal
- Installing a signalized east/west crosswalk along SW 109 Avenue, north of SW 7 Terrace
- Demolishing remaining portions of existing structure in conflict with proposed improvements





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# Pedestrian Bridge and Plazas Rendering



**ELEVATION VIEW (LOOKING NORTHWEST)**



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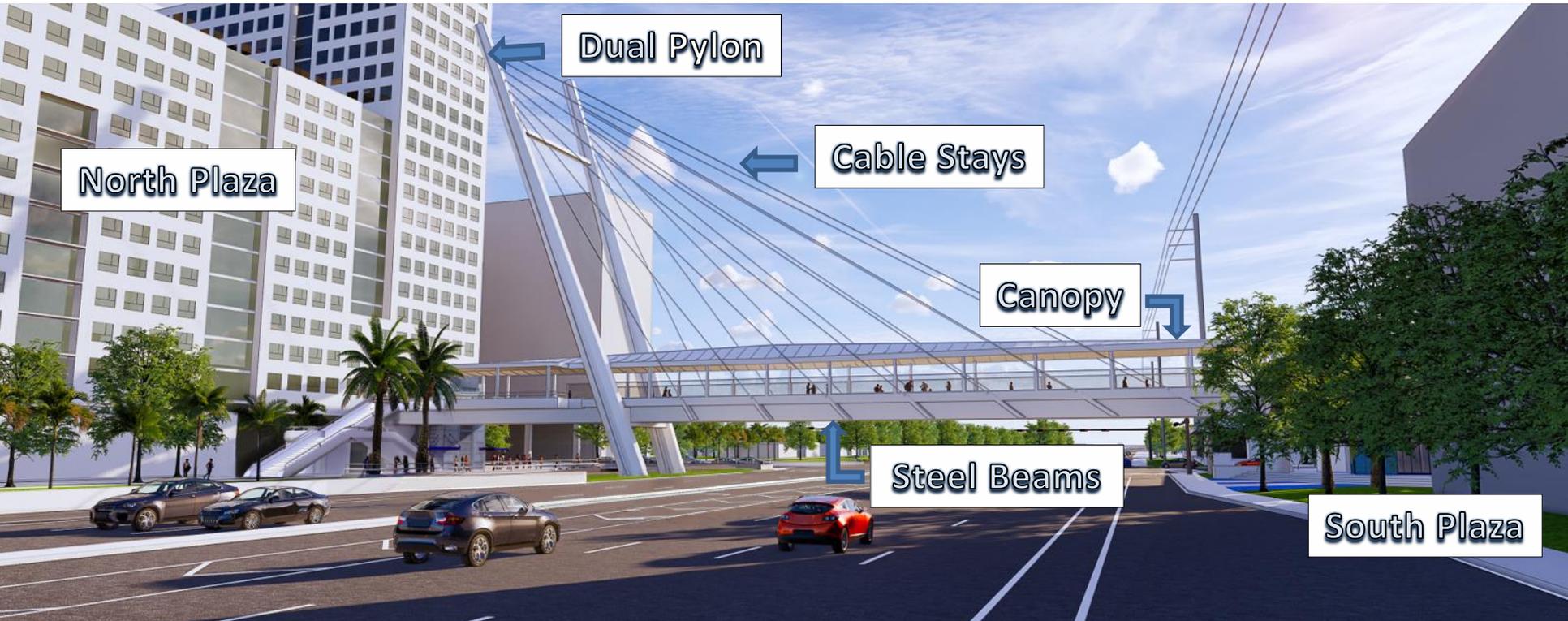
North Plaza

South Plaza

**ELEVATION VIEW (LOOKING EAST)**



# Pedestrian Bridge and Plazas Rendering



**ELEVATION VIEW (LOOKING EAST)**







# **Pedestrian Bridge and Plazas**

## **Pedestrian Bridge**

- Two-span continuous steel beam, cable-stayed bridge structure
- Bridge supports include single column piers at each end with an intermediate support consisting of dual pylons
- Cable stays to enhance aesthetics and provide additional support
- An overhead canopy to provide coverage
- Plazas at each end will include elevator and stairs to access the bridge



# What to Expect During Construction

## Maintenance of Traffic (MOT):

- Roadway lane closures and detours will be established during any overhead work, construction at Pylon 2, and as necessary to ensure safety during construction
- Closures and detours will be scheduled during non-peak hours or on non-event days/weekends
- Pedestrian detours will be established with clear signage

## Non-peak hours are:

- Lane Closures  
10 p.m. to 5:30 a.m. Sunday thru Thursday  
11 p.m. to 6 a.m. Friday and Saturday





# What to Expect During Construction



## Speed:

- Existing speed limits for SW 109 Ave (30 mph) and SW 8 St (45 mph) will be maintained throughout construction



## Dust:

- The contractor will be required to water and sweep in order to minimize construction-related dust

# What to Expect During Construction



## Noise:

- Some noise should be expected during allowable construction time



## Access:

- Access to businesses and residences will be maintained

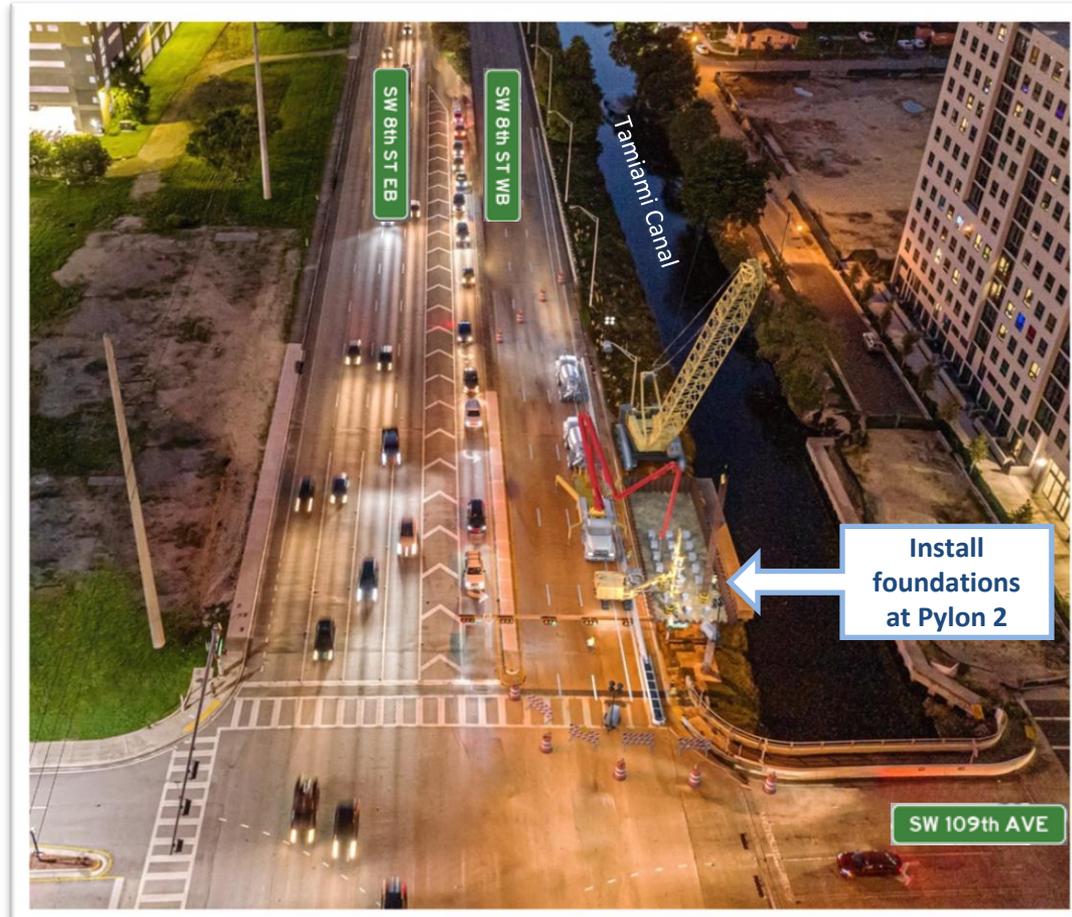
# What to Expect During Construction

## Phase 1

- Remove existing intermediate support
- Install new foundations at Pylon 2

## Maintenance of Traffic

- Nighttime operations
- Close westbound SW 8 St and detour traffic
- Eastbound SW 8 St remains in existing configuration





# What to Expect During Construction

## Phase 2

- Construct bridge Pylon 2 bottom portion
- Construct Piers 1 & 3 at North & South Plazas

## Maintenance of Traffic

- Configuration during these activities will be the same as Phase 1
  - Nighttime operations
  - Close westbound SW 8 St and detour traffic
  - Eastbound SW 8 St remains in existing configuration

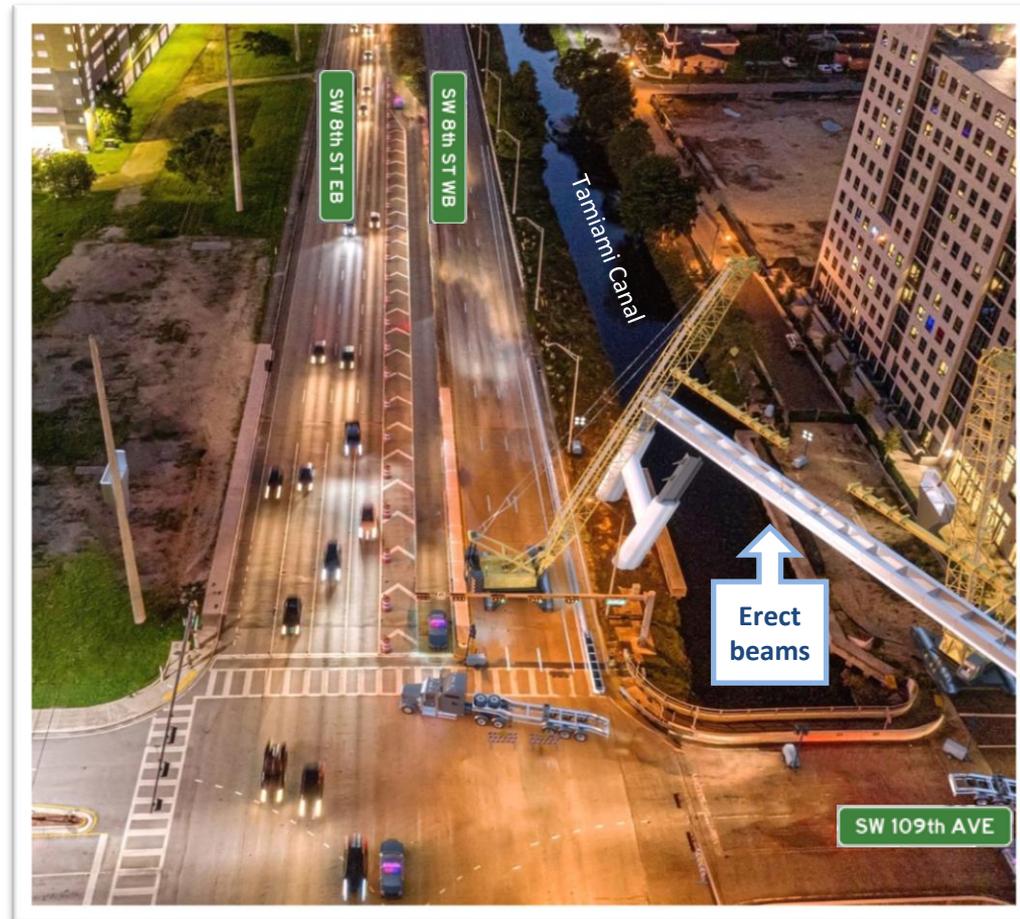
# What to Expect During Construction

## Phase 3

- Erect beams over the canal

## Maintenance of Traffic

- Nighttime operations
- Close westbound SW 8 St and SW 109 Ave and detour traffic
- Close eastbound SW 8 St left turn lane to SW 109 Ave
- Eastbound SW 8 St through lanes will remain open



# What to Expect During Construction

## Phase 4

- Erect beams over SW 8 St

## Maintenance of Traffic

- Nighttime operations
- Full closure of SW 8 St and detour traffic



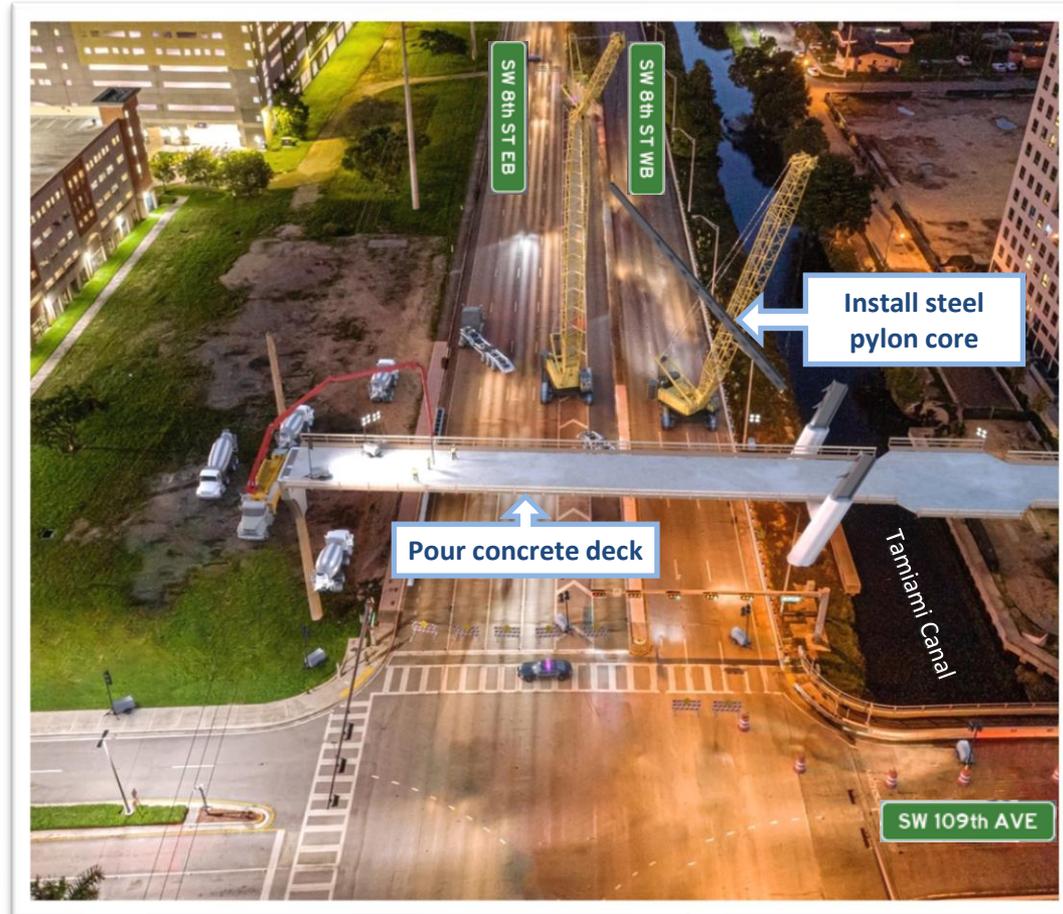
# What to Expect During Construction

## Phase 5

- Pour concrete deck at night
- Erect pylon steel core

## Maintenance of Traffic

- Nighttime operations
- Full closure of SW 8 St and detour traffic



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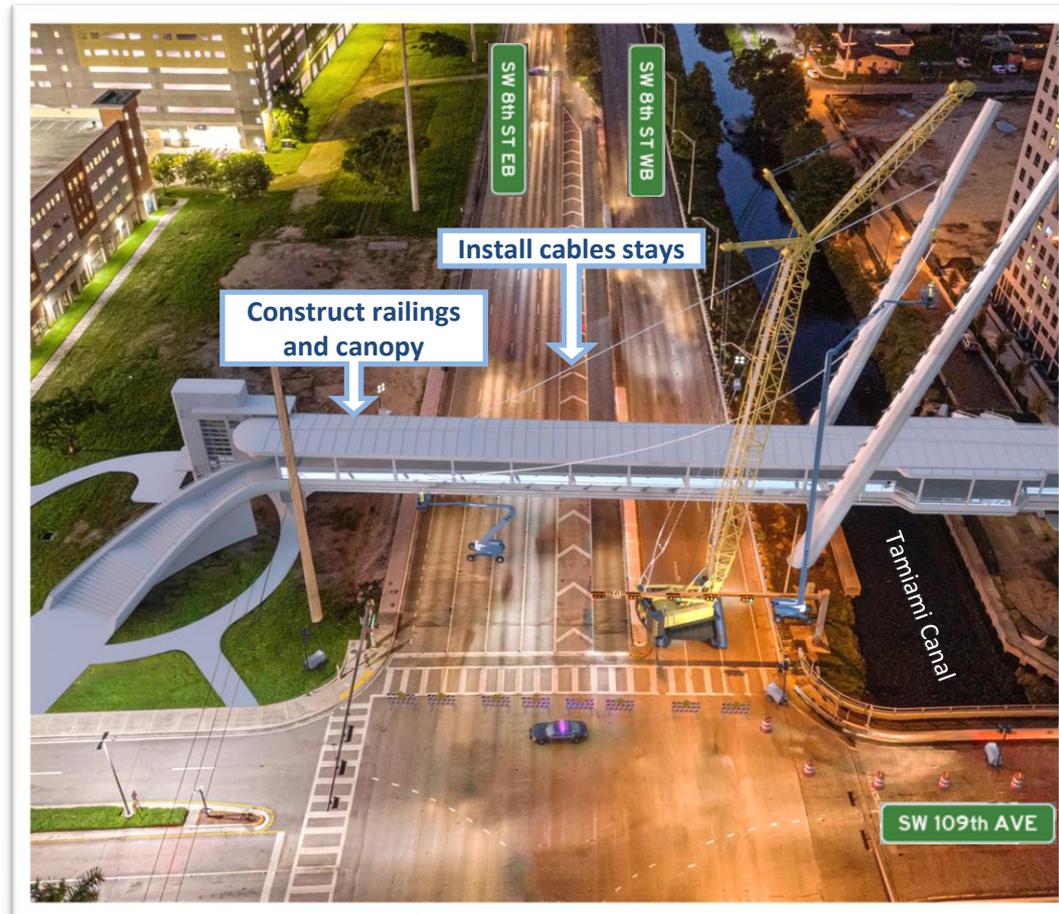
## Phase 6

- Construct railings and canopy
- Install bridge cable stays

## Maintenance of Traffic

- Nighttime operations
- Full closure of SW 8 St and detour traffic

*Minor overhead work for lighting, conduits and utilities will be performed using lane closures.*





# SW 8 St Detour





## Questions and Answers

- Please submit your comments in the question box
- After addressing comments in the question box, we will open the microphones
- If you would like to speak, please press the raise your hand button. Participants will have three minutes to provide comments and questions to allow others to speak
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## CONTACT

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