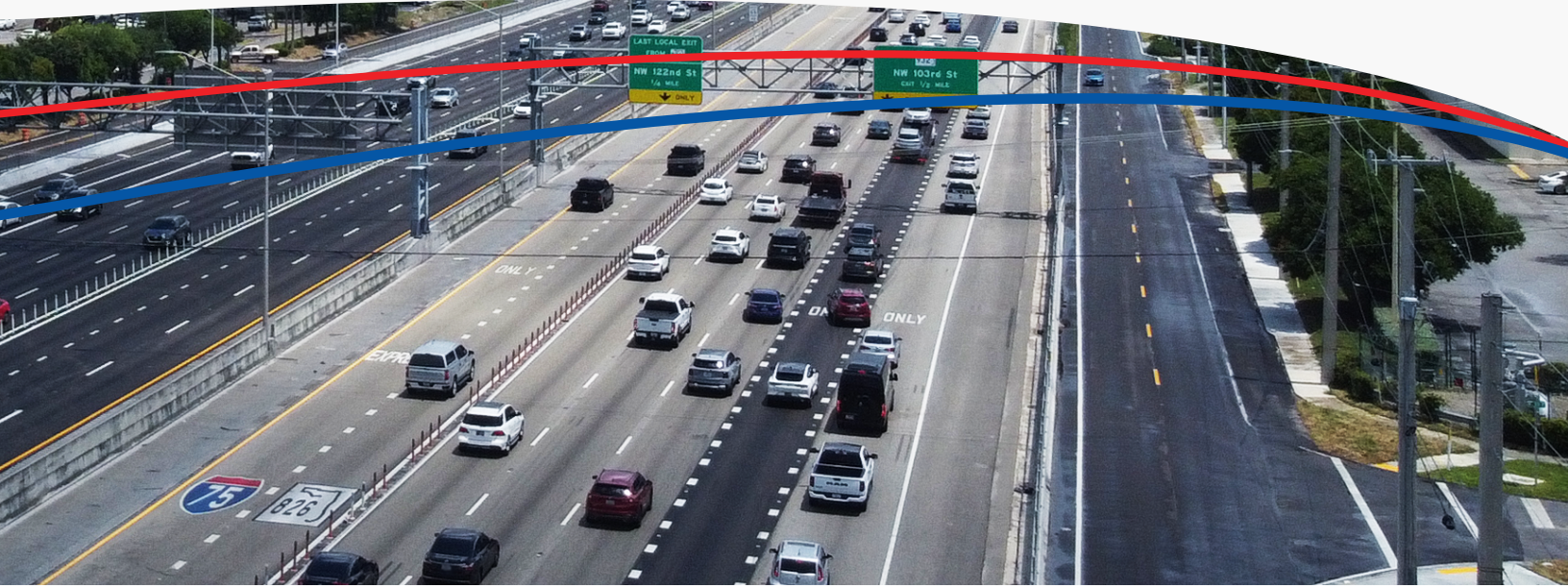


FACT SHEET

EXPRESS LANES ON STATE ROAD (S.R.) 826/PALMETTO EXPRESSWAY



The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) has completed the S.R. 826/Palmetto Expressway Capacity Project in Miami-Dade County, from south of NW 36 Street to NW 154 Street/Miami Lakes Drive. The project was delivered in response to the community's request to reduce congestion, improve connectivity, and provide drivers with more travel options on the expressway. Key improvements include the addition of a new southbound general-use lane, widened bridges for increased capacity, modified entrance points to the Express Lanes for better accessibility, and other improvements. With the completion of the construction project, FDOT will resume tolling on the existing Express Lanes to help manage demand and improve overall traffic flow to benefit all drivers on the Expressway.

Palmetto Express is an option that drivers may choose to use on their commute. The Express Lanes are separated from the general-use lanes to distinguish longer-distance commuters from local traffic. The Express Lanes use advanced technology to monitor and manage demand, promoting more reliable trip times on the Palmetto Expressway.

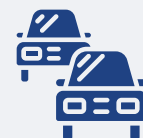
PROJECT BENEFITS



Provides Additional
Travel Options

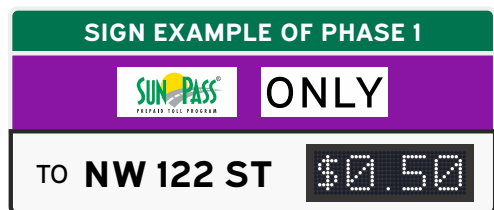


Increases Travel
Time Predictability



Relieves Traffic
Congestion

Overhead signs will display the toll amounts before the Express Lane entrance points. The signs are clearly marked to give drivers ample time and space to make their decision to use the Express Lanes. Tolls will be collected electronically via **SunPass**, and all users must have an active SunPass account or compatible transponder to access the Express Lanes.



**EXAMPLE OF
TOLLING SIGN**



**EXAMPLE OF
ENTRANCE SIGN**



**EXAMPLE OF
EXIT SIGN**

WHAT YOU ASKED FOR – WHAT WE DELIVERED

We asked for your feedback, and we listened! In 2019, FDOT embarked on a grassroots campaign to understand the community's needs and deliver transportation solutions that would provide a more reliable trip for drivers and help manage congestion now and into the future.

PROJECT IMPROVEMENTS

- ➔ A new southbound general-use lane was added at S.R. 932/ NW 103 Street/W 49 Street to help ease congestion. The roadway now includes two Express Lanes and four general-use lanes in that section.
- ➔ One northbound Express Lane was converted into a general-use lane to increase capacity, the Express Lane entrances were reconfigured to improve accessibility, and the wrong way vehicle detection system was expanded within the project limits.
- ➔ Multiple bridges were widened, including the southbound bridges over the Metrorail tracks and the FEC Railway.
- ➔ The Palmetto Express entrance at NW 154 Street/Miami Lakes Drive was relocated to NW 103 Street, improving access for drivers entering from NW 154 Street and NW 122 Street/W 68 Street.
- ➔ The flyover ramp from westbound NW 103 Street to southbound Palmetto Expressway was modified for enhanced connectivity, and the southbound bridge was widened to add an additional general-use lane to help relieve the bottleneck in this area.
- ➔ Frontage roads from Okeechobee Road to NW 122 Street were resurfaced to improve road conditions and overall ride quality.



NORTHBOUND EXPRESS LANES

ENTRANCE POINTS

- Just North of SW 8 Street
- Okeechobee Road

EXIT POINTS

- NW 122 Street
- Connects Palmetto Express directly to 75 Express
- The first exit from 75 Express is NW 186 Street/ Miami Gardens Drive

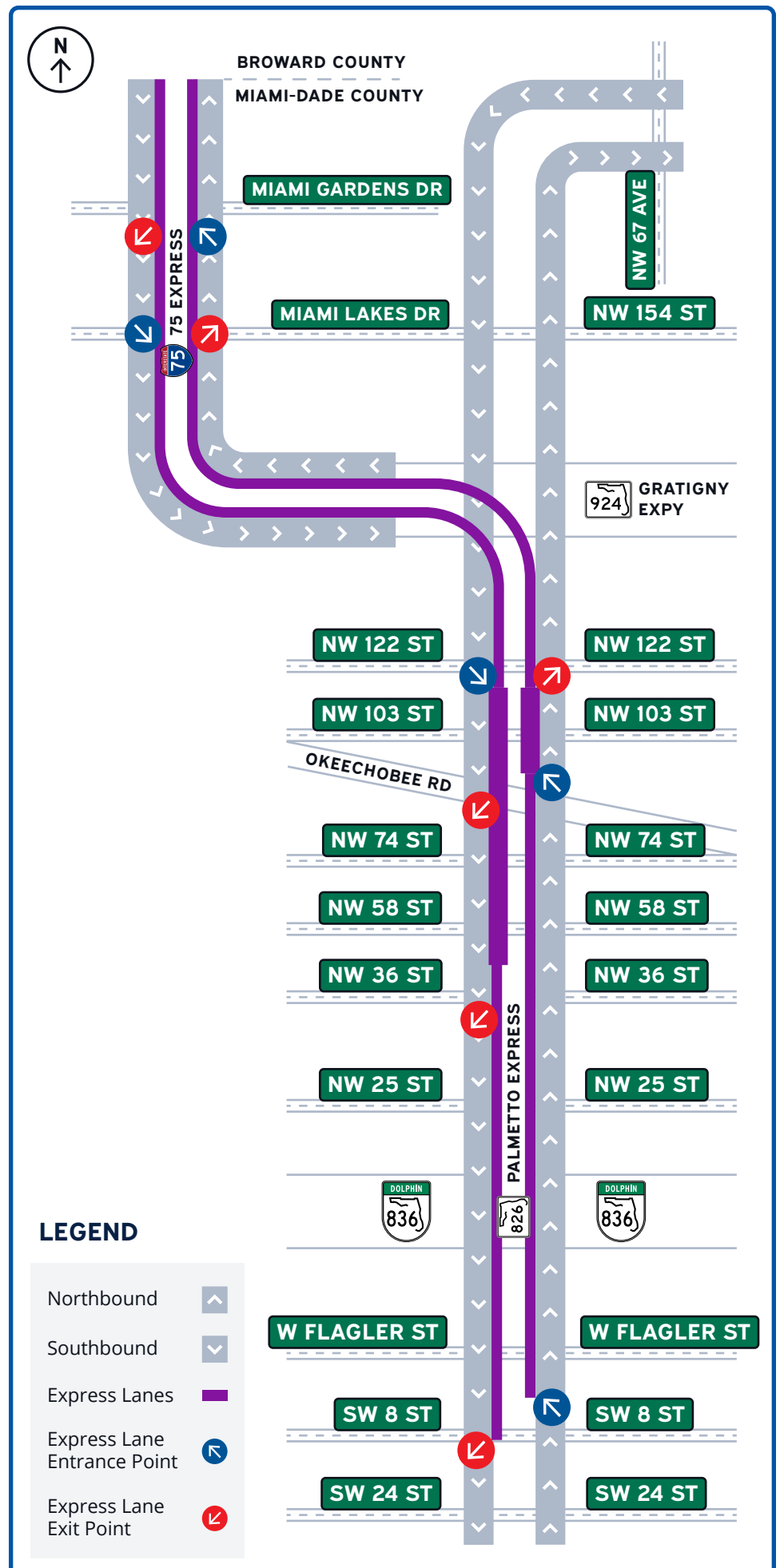
SOUTHBOUND EXPRESS LANES

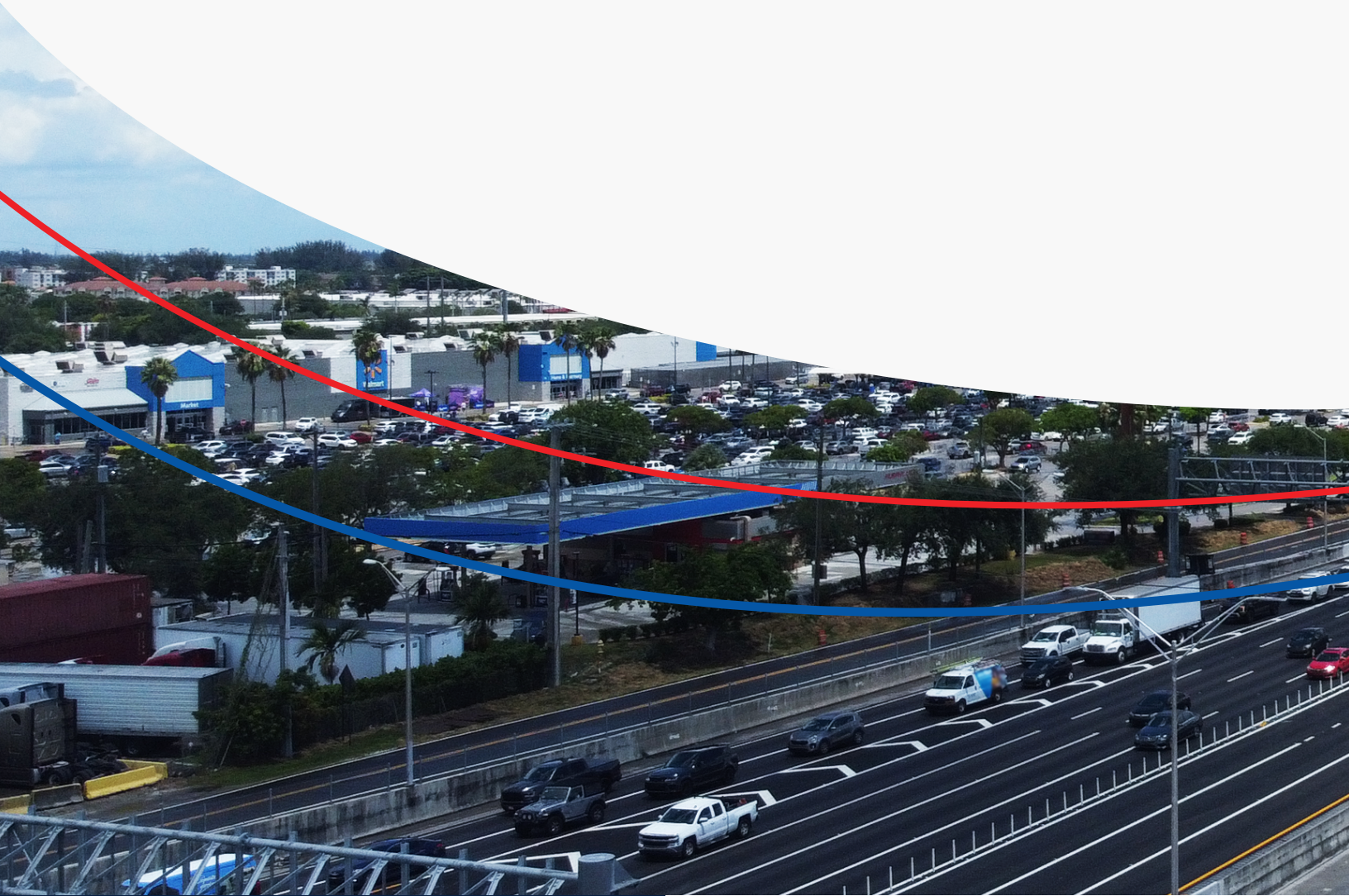
ENTRANCE POINTS

- Connects 75 Express directly to Palmetto Express
- The connection from 75 Express to Palmetto Expressway southbound is just south of NW 170 Street
- NW 103 Street

EXIT POINTS

- NW 74 Street
- NW 25 Street
- SW 24 Street/Coral Way





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