

A newsletter that connects the Florida Department of Transportation, Primes & Disadvantaged Business Enterprises (DBEs)

## District 5: I-75 (SR-93) Road Project



This Sumter County project involves the design and construction of the Interstate 75 (SR-93) from south of CR 470 to south of the Florida's Turnpike interchange. This Design-Build project will widen 7.5 miles of I-75 in Sumter County.

Other aspects of the project include a complete reconstruction of the interchange at CR 470, including CR 475 from south of the I-75 ramp to CR 470. There will be upgrades to the Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS), new bridges, signing and pavement markings, signalization and other miscellaneous corrections and additions.

Initially, the FDOT established an overall eight and six tenths percent (8.6%) race-neutral DBE goal. This means that the State's goal is to spend at least 8.6% of the highway dollars with Certified DBEs as primes or as subcontractors. The Department has allocated approximately \$48,957,302.00 for this contract and the anticipated completion date is Fall 2017. Public information and contractor contact information can be found [here](#).



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## Navigating the FDOT Website



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The FDOT website has been redesigned so that Department information can be accessed with less difficulty. New website design enhancements include a more prominent Search Box and a simplified Main Navigation page. There are six primary menu selections labeled: About FDOT, Contact Us, Locate Maps & Data, Connect to one of our Offices, Check out our Performance and Get Information on Projects. More information and additional details to help you navigate the FDOT website appear [here](#).

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## About the DBE Specialized Development Program

FDOT provides supportive services to DBEs conducting business with or seeking to conduct business with FDOT. Supportive Services are those activities and services that are designed to contribute to the growth and eventual self-sufficiency of DBEs so that they may achieve proficiency in competing for contracts and subcontracts.

The primary goal of the DBE Specialized Development Program managed by The Southern Florida Minority Supplier Development Council in partnership with Ariel Business Group, is to increase the number of DBEs participating on FDOT contracts and the dollar percentage awarded to DBEs. This is accomplished by providing assistance to Prime Contractors and facilitating the development of DBEs to obtain contracts. Program Consultants use an enhanced database. The purpose of our database is to assist our consultants with identifying DBEs, matching them with opportunities offered by Prime Contractors as well as tracking DBE participation and attempts to participate on contracts. DBEs should update their company data by [clicking here](#).

[www.FDOTDBEServices.com](http://www.FDOTDBEServices.com)

## DBE Profile Update

FDOT has a capital budget of \$33.8 Billion for the next 5 years. Visit [www.FDOTDBEServices.com](http://www.FDOTDBEServices.com) to update your DBE profile today, so you can get matched with opportunities.

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## Calendar

DBE companies are encouraged to check the FDOT DBE Specialized Development Program's website regularly for dates of important project meetings, workshops and FDOT forums.

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## New Bidder Orientations

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