



# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DETOURS FOR TRAFFIC SHIFT OPERATIONS

State Road (S.R.) 656/17<sup>th</sup> Street East End of Bridge Rehabilitation and Improvements Project  
Indian River County, Florida  
Financial Project ID: 446106-2-52-01

## S.R. 656/17<sup>th</sup> STREET BRIDGE TO CLOSE AROUND THE CLOCK FOR TRAFFIC SHIFT OPERATIONS, APRIL 12-17, 2026

To enhance safety and long-term resiliency, the S.R. 656/17<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge between S.R. A1A/Jimmy Buffett Memorial Highway and S.R. 60/Indian River Boulevard, will be closed around the clock beginning at 10:30 p.m., Sunday, April 12, through approximately 5 a.m., Friday, April 17, to shift traffic onto the eastbound and westbound bridges.

### Purpose:

This temporary full bridge closure is necessary to safely and efficiently complete critical construction activities that cannot be performed while maintaining traffic on the bridge. Work will include removal of temporary traffic separators and barrier wall, bridge deck planing and grooving, installation of new crash cushions at the east and west ends of the bridge, restoration of the median traffic separator at the west end, and restriping of the roadway, as well as reinstallation of light poles at the east end of the bridge. Methacrylate coating, a protective sealant, of the bridge decks will also be performed during this time; however, it is not part of the critical work requiring the full bridge closure.

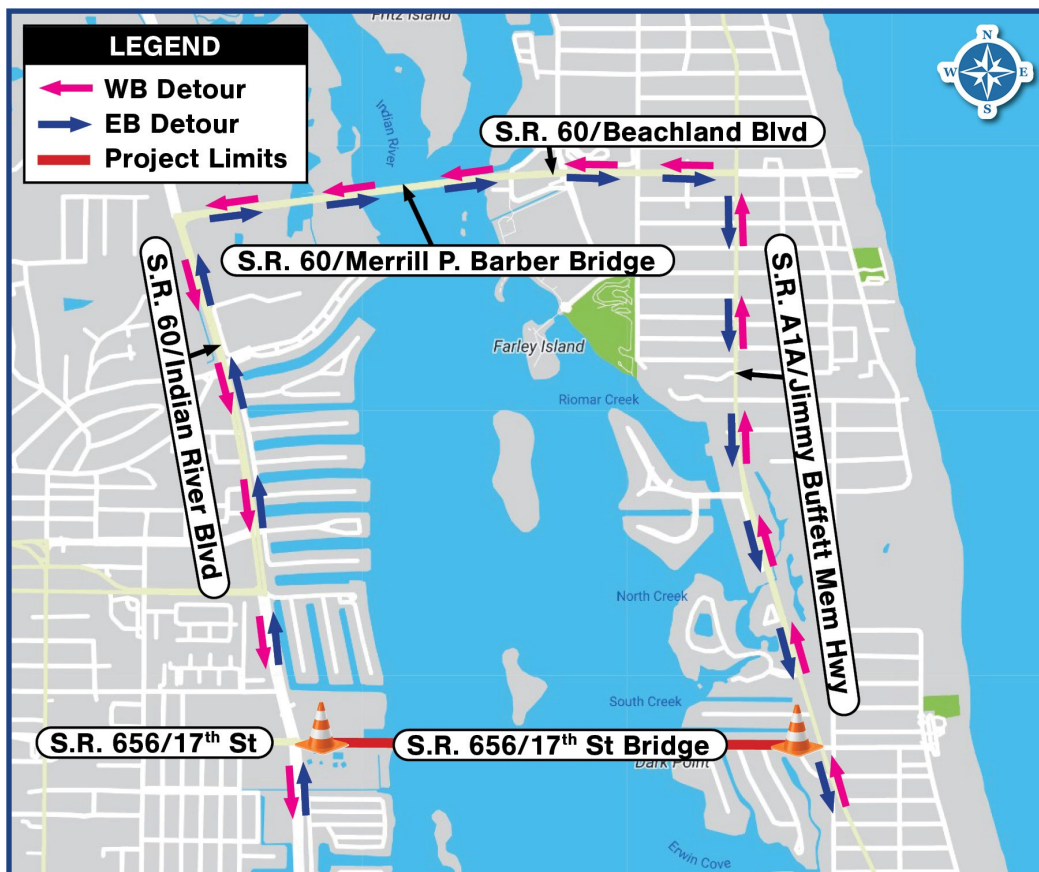
For most of construction, temporary traffic separators allowed motorists to continue traveling in both directions, minimizing impacts while work progressed. With major structural work now complete, this closure marks the transition to placing traffic on their respective eastbound and westbound sides of the median traffic railing while ensuring the safety of the public and work crews.

### What to Expect After the Bridge Reopens:

Once the traffic shift is complete, the outside lanes on both the eastbound and westbound bridges will reopen to motorists. The inside lanes will remain closed for ongoing construction, including the application of a methacrylate coating across the westbound bridge decks and the application of a coating on the median traffic railing. Signage will be in place to assist motorists. Sunday, April 19 through Friday, April 24, will be used as contingency dates if needed.

### Detour:

- Westbound motorists will be detoured via S.R. A1A/Jimmy Buffett Memorial Highway and S.R. 60/Beachland Boulevard to S.R. 60/Indian River Boulevard.
- Eastbound motorists will be detoured via S.R. 60/Indian River Boulevard and S.R. 60/Beachland Boulevard to S.R. A1A/Jimmy Buffett Memorial Highway.
- The S.R. 656/17<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge will not be closed at the same time as the S.R. A1A North Causeway Bridge. Only one bridge will be closed at a time, and coordination between the closures is ongoing.
- For more information about the project including progress photos, lane closures, and project-specific information, please visit <https://tinyurl.com/17thStBridge>.



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**Construction Cost:** \$22.3 million      **Construction Start:** September 5, 2023      **Estimated Completion:** Late Summer 2026

### FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION MISSION STATEMENT

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Please contact the Community Outreach Specialist, Samantha Kayser, to be added to project email notification lists. Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Para información y preguntas en Español, por favor llame al (954) 777-4302.