



International Drive Resort Area Chamber of Commerce

I-4 and Sand Lake Road Interchange Oversight Committee

April 15, 2026

Meeting Purpose:	Weekly International Drive Resort Area Chamber of Commerce – I-4 and Sand Lake Road Interchange Oversight Committee Meeting #109
Meeting Date/Time:	Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 3:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.
Location:	Zoom Meeting
Attendees:	I-Drive: David Vallillo (Host), Maria Triscari, Brian Small, Christopher Keller, R. Vallier FDOT: Esther Montoya, Seta Koroitamudu, John Hatfield, Ray Gopal RKK: Lindsey Barnwell Orange County: Heather Bishop, Krista Taraszewski, Carter Gresham Global-5: Tyler McConnell, Crystal Candy

Meeting called to order at 3:02 p.m.

Esther: As of Monday we have used 1107 days out of the 1753 in the contract. We're still trending to move that last contract day into the beginning of January 2028, but that date will continue to shift.

Reviewing our contractor's two week look ahead, our contractor is doing a lot of work with a lot of crews out there. You can actually take a look at this and see they're doing a lot of work right now.

I'm not going to focus a lot on the two-week look ahead because I have some information to share later in the presentation.

Just a quick close up of our areas with the designated number. A lot of work is focused on area eight and I-4, now that we've seen the traffic get switched to the median with the new bridge.

A lot of work also happening in areas one, two, and three with the work in the loop ramp.

FDOT to review the past 7 days.

- i. Bridge demolition over Sand Lake Road (Area 8)
- ii. Force main installation (Areas 3 and 5)
- iii. Sand Lake Road loop ramp tie-in (Areas 1 and 3)
- iv. Sand Lake Road loop ramp striping (Areas 1 and 3)
- v. Turkey Lake Road median grading
- vi. Place and compact limerock (Area 8)
- vii. Median barrier wall installation (Area 8)
- viii. Signal and sign structure installation (Areas 1 and 3)
- ix. Excavate and grade ponds
- x. Utility relocation
- xi. Drainage installation (Areas 1, 2, and 3)



xii. Ongoing mowing and litter pickup

Esther: For the past seven days, as you've probably noticed, there's so many changes right now. We've started to see the demolition of the bridge. Things have happened pretty quickly.

We're going to continue that operation for a few more weeks. We're also continuing the force main installation in areas three and five.

As I mentioned in the past couple of weeks, we're doing a lot of work in the loop ramp tie-in areas to make sure that everything is ready for the opening.

A lot of activities continue to happen in area eight, as I mentioned, with the limerock and barrier wall installation, as well as some other areas with signal and sign installation.

We see a lot of production being done in the ponds.

Any comments or suggestions for the past seven days?

David: No nothing negative, I went through right after they did the lane shift, and there were a few comments from some other people. It seemed to be exceptionally smooth, and it didn't throw a wrench into anything.

Traffic was still flowing very smoothly.

Brian: I got through there yesterday; there's activity all around. You can see that it's picked up a lot. One comment would be that the sidewalk on the north side, I was trying to figure it out, I know they had to rework it.

It looks pretty confusing. I would just make a note to check it. I know it had some barricades up to stop accessing it on the far corner, but I still saw someone walking in the middle, and I don't know how he got there, so just a note.

And, on the corner by the Golden Corral on the other side. All of that screening was nice and tight probably a couple of weeks ago, and now there's a section that's just dropped out.

In the grand scheme of things, it is very small but just make a note.

Esther: We'll make sure that gets fixed as soon as possible.

David: Thanks Brian, and as far as the sidewalk on the north side, is that in front of McDonald's or over down by the gas station?

Brian: It was a lot closer to the work.

David: Got it, so all the way down by the gas station near the ramp.

Jim: Just a note the sidewalk on the north side is completely closed from Turkey Lake Road to I-Drive, but people continue to use both sides.

Brian: Yea that would explain it, because there were some delineators and some other things there you can see that was blocking off the sidewalk.



Right in the middle of it, somebody was walking, and you wonder how that guy got there. But, to your point, they're not following the rules.

Esther: We can take a look at it to make sure we have enough information out there.

One of the reasons we have that area closed down, as you can see with the operation, is so we can do demo on the bridge.

That's the reason we have the safety diversions, a lot of that is dangerous for maintaining live traffic underneath.

We're construction people, we like to share what we do, and this is a nice picture.

We have another picture; this is very close to Turkey Lake Road with the tie-in of the new ramp. The contractor is also doing "wrong way" installation and striping.

They're prepping, as there's a few other operations that need to happen before we open that ramp.

That's one of the major items I want to mention. In the past, last week we mentioned that the opening will happen on the 25th.

As of this morning, that's what we knew. But it seems like the contractor is having an issue with one of the vendors getting material, and that's action got pushed out to May 2nd.

Obviously, things may change, but as soon as we know more information we'll for sure let you all know. For now, it seems like it is shifting to May 2nd.

Originally, we were updating this PowerPoint this morning as soon as we heard this. It was supposed to be happening between the next seven days, kind of prepping everybody, but it got switched to the next slide.

FDOT to review the next 7 days.

- i. Bridge demolition and beam removal over Sand Lake Road (Area 8)
- ii. Miscellaneous work at Sand Lake Road loop ramp tie-in (Areas 1 and 3)
- iii. Force main installation (Area 5)
- iv. Signal and sign structure installation (Areas 1 and 3)
- v. Turkey Lake Road median paving
- vi. Median barrier wall concrete placement (Area 8)
- vii. Excavate and grade ponds
- viii. Ongoing mowing and litter pickup

Esther: Similar operations as last week with the bridge demolition still happening. We'll be removing the beams this week. When that's done, you won't see the bridge anymore.

But we're going to continue to do a lot more on the sides of the existing wall, demolition will continue to happen. There's a lot of things that are changing pretty fast.

Very similar to what we've seen the last seven days, miscellaneous work at Sand Lake Road and Turkey Lake Road with the tie-in. We're still doing a lot of work in the Turkey Lake Road median; the contractor is preparing to pave that median.



In area eight, you'll continue to see a lot of operations happening there.

Any comments or suggestions for the next seven days?

David: No, not on my side.

FDOT to review the next 14 – 21 days

- i. Sand Lake Road loop ramp opening
- ii. Miscellaneous bridge work over Sand Lake Road (Area 8)
- iii. Bridge work over Central Florida Parkway
- iv. Force main installation (Areas 3 and 5)
- v. Sign and signal structure installation (Areas 1, 3 and 8)
- vi. Paving (Area 8)
- vii. Place and compact limerock (Area 8)
- viii. Median barrier wall grading (Area 8)
- ix. Turkey Lake Road median grading
- x. Excavate and grade ponds
- xi. Drainage installation (Areas 1, 2, and 3)
- xii. Ongoing mowing and litter pickup

Esther: As I said the loop ramp opening got pushed to May 2nd.

We're going to continue to do what we promised to make sure that everybody is aware of what is happening. We're going to also continue with the miscellaneous bridge work.

At Central Florida Parkway, we'll go back to doing more work in that area.

Force main as well as sign and signal installation also continues.

Any comments or suggestions for the next 14-21 days?

David: None here

2. Loop-Ramp Outreach Plans

- **In-person "Good Neighbor Outreach"**

- i. Planned for 2 days the week before the ramp opening (April 23, 24) *Tentative
- ii. Distribute handouts as well as digital outreach to HOAs of gated communities

3. Fencer Banner Designs

- Approved banners have been sent to the printer to be ready for install
- To be placed along Sand Lake Road

4. Loop Ramp Video

- First draft of the video is in production
- To be shared via YouTube and socials
- PIO approved a targeted, geo-fenced social campaign to increase visibility of the video and announcement

Esther: We've shared this in the past, but we'll continue to do this Good Neighbor Outreach. We have it tentative for the 23rd and 24th now that we have those dates shifted a little bit, but we're going to do it.



Do you guys have any questions for the operations?

David: No, I haven't heard anything from anyone down there.

Esther: Crystal, do you want to add anything for this one?

Crystal: I can share that the banners have been sent to the printer so they will be ready to install since we have an extra week.

We do have a video in production that will show some animation on how to use the new ramp, and that will be shared via YouTube, socials, and a targeted geo-fenced social campaign.

PIO has requested, after the loop ramp opens, instead of a video showing people how to use it, we'll do more of a marketing type commercial celebrating that it's done and showing it in action.

So, more to come even after it opens up.

David: That is fantastic, thank you.

Esther: I know Crystal and her team prepared this graphic showing the new movements and how they are going to change. Now you see people coming from I-4 going toward Turkey Lake and Sand Lake Road.

People that want to go to Turkey Lake will have to stay in that ramp.

Thank you Crystal, I know we asked you to put this together yesterday and you did a great job.

Crystal: Just so you know this is the map that is also incorporated into the handout that we'll be distributing to the public along with the details. So that is the map they're going to see as well.

Esther: Any questions?

David: No, this is very self-explanatory and looks great.

Cleanliness Review

- Committee's observations over past 7 days
- 5. Condition Review
 - Committee's observation over past 7 days (fencing, wraps, barricades, temporary signage)

Esther: Brian, thank you for those comments regarding the pedestrian areas and also the fence. You said which area again?

Brian: The fence would be close to the Golden Corral.

Esther: Okay, yes, we'll make sure to take care of that.

We do have our clean team that we keep very active. We're going to take your comments for sure. If anyone has any other comments, our team does drive through the project every day, we keep an eye on it.

Sometimes we do miss some things, but we try our best to meet our commitments. If you have anything, please don't hesitate on sharing that with us.



Old Business

- Public Input or Comments
- Commitments Update
 - i. Fencing and screening
 - ii. Mowing and cleaning
 - iii. Clean Team
 - iv. Ponds
 - v. Express lane signage/access
 - vi. Hardscaping and aesthetics

Esther: We have not received any public input or comments. I don't know if you have received anything on your end.

David: No, we have not, that's a good thing for everybody.

Esther: As far as our commitments, we're still doing some of the designs we have presented in the past. Once we're ready to present something to you, we'll come back and show you what is actually being done.

I believe today we received a request to add additional funds to the project for the redesign of the bike lanes, so it's in the works.

I know the express lane signage is with traffic operations, they have reached out to you and they're working on it. I have not received any updates yet, but I know they are working on it.

We continue to work with Orange County on the aesthetics and things that can be done in the right of way.

I will let Carter speak on his side and things in his court.

Carter: I have my updates. One was the dimensioned memo, I sent that to Maria, David, and Brian.

If you take a look at it either this week or next with any comments or revisions, I will make those adjustments and send that out to Esther and FDOT and the CEF team, in the next week or two.

Feel free to look through it and if you have any questions feel free to reach out to us.

The other two things, one, the re-solicitation for procurement is still on track for the end of this month, I just got an update on that this morning.

The other thing is more of a thing for Esther, for the ramp onto Turkey Lake, I know you have the electronic message boards up just to make sure that's on your radar. I saw that this morning and got excited, so I just wanted to make sure we updated it.

Esther: I think we started with the announcement today, but we have to adjust it back. Today we received the notice that it pushed. We're updated everything right now.

Safety Diversions

- i. April 15, 16, 19 – 21 (nightly)



- Eastbound/westbound Sand Lake Road under I-4 for bridge demolition
- Eastbound entrance ramp to I-4 from Sand Lake Road
- 11 p.m. – 5:00 a.m.

Esther: For safety diversions, we do have one which we used last week. The 19-21 is for the removal of the beams. We need to do this diversion for safety. This operation has happened in the past and we have not received any concerns.

This will happen between 11 p.m. and 5 a.m.

New Business

1. Next meeting: 4/22/2026

Esther: Our next meeting is scheduled for the 22nd unless you have any conflicts.

David: No, but just really quickly, I saw on 528, that is all complete right? There's nothing else that needs to be done there, correct?

Esther: No, Lindsey is on the line, I think the full construction is done, we're just working through the paperwork that nobody sees, it's just to close the project.

Lindsey: Exactly, it's just final inspections and paperwork, but the job is done. Maybe some sodding and small stuff like that, but the job is done.

John: Lindsey, did you see the video on that?

Lindsey: No I have not seen that yet.

David: Which one is that for John?

John: It's something we do internally to show the DOT people. There's lots of hands involved in the projects. It's a way to inspire people to see the end result of their hard work. I saw it come out, it's in the review process, but it will eventually be posted on YouTube.

David: There's probably individuals who worked on this about five years ago, so it's a good way to show them what's happened.

With that, we're going to end today's meeting, thank you everyone.

Meeting adjourned at 3:18 p.m.