

## PROJECT UPDATE

### S.R. 7 (U.S. 441) Improvements South of County Line Road to SW 25<sup>th</sup> Street Florida Department of Transportation, District Four

In this issue of the S.R. 7 Community Newsletter, you will learn more about the contractor's progress during the first months of the year, as well as the planned operations for April, May and June. Please note that the schedule of construction operation presented here is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances, such as weather events and various project coordination issues.

#### **Progress in Early 2009**

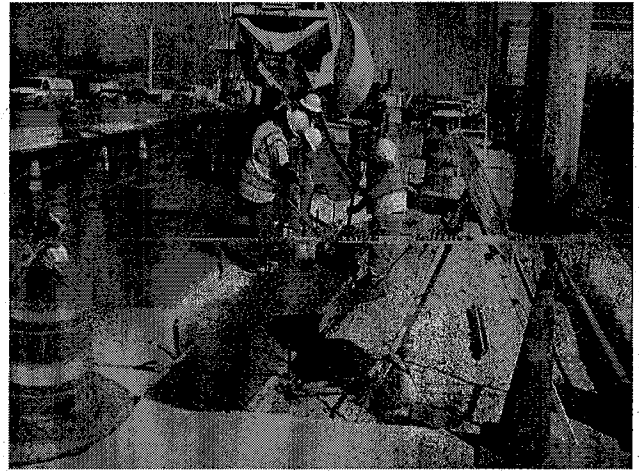
In the first few months of 2009, the contractor has:

- ✓ Successfully completed construction operations along northbound S.R. 7 from County Line Road to SW 26<sup>th</sup> Street, and traffic was moved onto the new pavement
- ✓ Installed underground utilities along southbound S.R. 7 from SW 40<sup>th</sup> Court to Miramar Parkway and along Miramar Parkway from SR-7 to SW 62<sup>nd</sup> Street.
- ✓ Began installation of curb-and-gutter and sidewalk along Miramar Parkway.

The beginning of 2009 has been very dry, allowing the contractor to work uninterrupted for some time now. However, with temperatures on the rise, the chance of rain will be increasing and may cause some delays in the construction operation. The contractor is already well ahead of schedule, so any setbacks will not mean a longer construction time for your neighborhood. Currently, the project is targeting for full completion in July 2010. Originally the project was scheduled for completion in January of 2011, so that is about six months ahead of schedule! We understand that the construction operation has been difficult for the local businesses and residents, but we are trying to get out of your way as soon as possible. We thank you for your patience and cooperation and look forward to working with you throughout the duration of the project.

#### **Operations Planned for April, May and June**

The contractor will continue installing underground utilities along southbound S.R. 7 from SW 40<sup>th</sup> Court to SW 25<sup>th</sup> Street, as well as installation of new 50 foot light poles, curb-and-gutter, sidewalk, driveways for businesses, and some roadway widening operations on the south side. By the end of April, the contractor should complete installation of curb-and-gutter, sidewalk and new pavement along westbound Miramar Parkway/Hallandale Beach Boulevard, with two westbound travel lanes opened to the public. Once finished the contractor will resurface all travel lanes on Miramar Parkway/Hallandale Beach Boulevard and open more lanes for the permanent lane configuration.



*Curb-and-gutter installation*

#### **Project Issue**

Due to unforeseen circumstances, the contractor was forced to relocate its staging area to an area located within the widening limits just north of SW 26<sup>th</sup> Street. The paving operations for this section will be postponed while the contractor continues to work on other areas of the project. The contractor is looking into paving this area to help better accommodate the nearby businesses. We will notify the appropriate businesses when the schedule is determined.

#### **SW 37th Street Utility Installation**

After continued discussion with the City of Miramar, the plans for SW 37th Street have been finalized and construction will begin in the month of April. The contractor will replace sections of the water main and install new sewer lines along the north side of the street. This work will require the temporary closing of the westbound lane, but workers will remain in close contact with the residents to make sure your needs are met. Access to homes will be maintained at all times.