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SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) Widening from US 301 to the Sumter County line 442835-1-52-01

Project Details	
Work Type	Widening
Phase	Completed
Limits	from east of US 301 to the Sumter County line
Project Start	November 18, 2021
Length	4.7 miles
City	Ridge Manor
County	Hernando
Road	Cortez Boulevard SR 50
Construction Cost	$47.3 million
Estimated Completion	March 20, 2026
Contractor	Southland Construction, Inc.

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About

As of March 20, 2026, all construction activities associated with this project have been completed.

This project widened and reconstructed SR 50 (Cortez Blvd) from east of US 301 to the Sumter County line. The two-lane roadway was widened to a four-lane roadway and two bridges were built over the CSX railroad crossing. A 12-foot-wide shared use path was constructed on the south side of the roadway.

Burwell Road was realigned to a new intersection with SR 50 just to the east of its pre-construction location.

PROJECT UPDATE

All lanes are now open!
As of Friday, December 5, 2025, all lanes of traffic are now open throughout the project area! Two lanes are open in each direction and traffic is in the final roadway and lane alignments. Finishing work continues in the area - please watch out for workers and equipment.

The shared use path on the south side of the highway is also open for pedestrians and bicyclists.