East Selmon Reversible Express Lanes East Selmon Slip Ramps FAQs





On-Ramp near I-75

Off-Ramp near the I-4 Connector/IKEA

Why is THEA doing this project?

By 2046, traffic volume on the East Selmon Expressway is expected to increase by 83%. The Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA) found that adding two new slip ramps would be an opportunity to improve near-term service levels for drivers on the Selmon Expressway.

What is the goal of the East Selmon slip ramps?

Construction of the East Selmon slip ramps will allow westbound drivers to enter the Reversible Express Lanes (REL) near I-75, and then exit the REL near IKEA and continue on the local lanes of the Selmon Expressway to destinations further west. This will reduce morning congestion on the westbound Selmon Expressway near I-75, avoid congestion near the I-4 Connector, and reduce backup at the Twiggs Street and REL intersection. THEA believes this \$25 million project will help reduce cut-through traffic in downtown Tampa.

What is a slip ramp?

Slips ramps are internal ramps within the Selmon Expressway; they are the on-ramps and off-ramps from the Expressway to the REL.

How long is this project expected to take?

Full construction began in January 2022 and this project is expected to finish in the fall of 2023.

What can I expect during construction?

During this initial phase of construction, nearby businesses and residences within 2,000 feet of the Expressway might experience more outdoor noise and dust. Currently, pile driving work is ongoing Monday through Friday from 7 am to 4 pm and from 7 pm to 5 am, weather permitting. In addition, nighttime barrier wall and bridge deck removal work is ongoing Sunday through Thursday from 7 pm to 5 am, weather permitting.









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East Selmon Reversible Express Lanes Additional Access Points Public Information Brief

Project Description



Slips ramps are additional access points/internal ramps within the Expressway; they are the on-ramps and off-ramps from the Selmon Expressway to the Reversible Express Lanes (REL).

Phase I: Construction



 Construction has begun on the on-ramp near I-75 and the off-ramp just past the I-4 Connector interchange near IKEA. Daytime construction activities as well as other nighttime lane closures are underway.



 Demolition, pile driving, adding capacity to the bridges/roadway, and drainage activities are beginning.

Daytime construction activities as well as nighttime lane closures will occur throughout this
project and the Tampa Hillsborough Expressway Authority (THEA) will continue to make
updates for any major detours or ramp closures.

Questions or Concerns



Thank you for your patience during this time. For more information, learn about this project at https://www.tampa-xway.com/rel-slip-ramp-construction/.

For ongoing traffic updates, stay connected with us via Facebook, Twitter or our website.

THEA Communications Project Manager Krystina Steffen is also available to assist with any questions and concerns and can be reached at 813.734.4988 or krystina.steffen@tampa-xway.com.

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