

US 90 (Mahan Drive) Tallahassee, FL

Status Report

Construction Activities for December 2009

Financial Project Numbers:

416916-1-52-01

219843-1-52-01

219843-1-52-02

Contract Amount:

\$ 19.5 Million

Contract Day: 1327

Days Remaining: 1110

Construction continues along US 90 (Mahan Drive) from Dempsey Mayo Road to Charlais Street. Weather permitting motorists can expect a traffic shift to the newly constructed roadway on or about mid January 2010.

Drivers will use a temporary detour near I-10 on US 90 (Mahan Drive) from Pedrick Road eastward to I-10 while the contractor builds a new bridge on or about mid January 2010.

The City of Tallahassee continues to relocate utility poles along US 90 (Mahan Drive) from Arendell Way to west of I-10.

Meet the Team

- PB Americas, Inc.:
CEI
- Sandco:
Contractor
- The LPA Group:
Design Firm
- FDOT:
Owner
- QCAusa:
Public Involvement

Accomplishments

- The curb and gutter construction is complete along the south side of US 90 (Mahan Drive) from Dempsey Mayo Road to Charlais Street.
- Sidewalk construction continues for the south side of US 90 (Mahan Drive) from Dempsey Mayo Road to Charlais Street.
- The stormwater pond near Buck Lake Road has been built to 35% of completion.
- The Buckwood Subdivision Entrance reconstruction at US 90 (Mahan Drive) is complete.
- The structural asphalt paving has been completed for the south roadway of US 90 (Mahan Drive) from Dempsey Mayo Road to Charlais Street.
- Preparations for the construction of the detour at the bridge near I-10 are underway.
- Preparations for the traffic switch from Dempsey Mayo Road to Taylor Road are being made.



US 90 (Mahan Dr.) asphalt placement. Photo is looking eastbound in front of the Stormwater pond.

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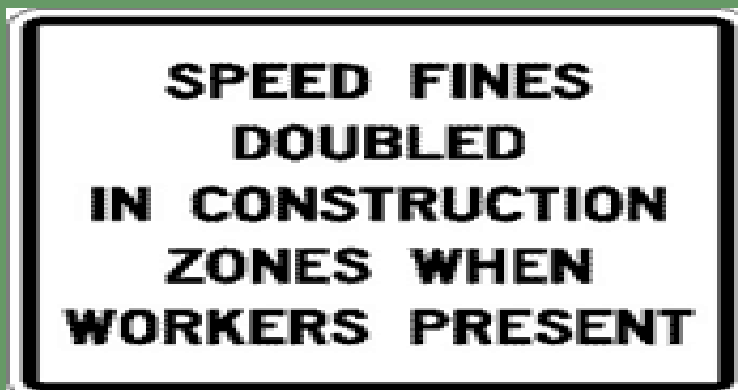
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Speeding in Construction Zones



The 45 m.p.h. work zone speed limit for the US 90 (Mahan Drive) construction project is strictly enforced 24 hours a day, seven days a week, regardless if workers are present. Work zone speed limits are in place to protect workers and are beneficial to the drivers traveling through the construction area. Work zones can present obstacles to drivers, including narrowed lanes, lane shifts, reduced shoulder widths, uneven pavement levels and the presence of construction equipment. Reduced speed allows drivers time to make adjustments to avoid accidents. **The absence of workers does not eliminate the need to slow down for construction conditions.**

Speeding fines are doubled in construction zones when workers are present. Motorists should drive with caution through the work zones and adhere to posted detour signs and speed limits.



Meandering Trail is Being Constructed on US 90 (Mahan Drive)

A multipurpose meandering trail is being constructed along US 90 (Mahan Drive) for walking, running and biking use. This 3.8 mile trail will benefit the community in many ways. Easy access to safe trails for walking, biking and enjoying nature and the outdoors enhances recreational experiences for residents. Trail networks also provide an attraction for tourists, and an incentive for visitors to extend their stay in the area. By being active on the trail can only benefit your health.

Studies have shown that exercise associated with walking, biking and skating helps people control their weight and lowers their risk of heart disease, type-two diabetes and osteoarthritis. Easy access to a trail increases participation in those activities. In addition, by providing physical activity in a natural setting, use of trails can be uplifting for people suffering from depression and anxiety.

The below photos shows the newly constructed Meandering Trail on US 90 (Mahan Drive) near Charlais Street.



What are the Green Particles on US 90 (Mahan Drive)?

While driving down US 90 (Mahan Drive) some may have noticed bright green particles on some of the soils throughout the construction zone. No need to worry! The contractor has been hydroseeding the soils.

Hydroseeding involves spreading seed and appropriate nutrients on soil surfaces. Hydroseed is a combination of grass seed, fertilizer and apple wood fiber-mulch mixed with water. The contact of the seed with the water triggers the germination cycle. The mulch layer seals in the moisture, holds the soil in place and acts like a mini-greenhouse effect. The result is a lush green lawn in a very short time. The grass should begin to come up in 5 to 7 days depending on soil temperatures and moisture.

The below photo shows Hydroseed on the north side of US 90 (Mahan Drive) near Arendell Way.



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