

Contractors for the Town of Fort Myers Beach and Lee County are installing new water main, sanitary sewer force main, storm drainage, and sidewalk and rebuilding roadway on Estero Boulevard from Lovers Lane to Albatross Street. **Two travel lanes are expected to remain open the majority of the project; however, motorists may experience daytime or nighttime one-lane traffic on Estero Boulevard. Flaggers will alternate traffic frequently, but motorists should expect delays.** Crews are expected to work Monday through Friday and some Saturdays. Construction will be year-round. This schedule may change due to underground conditions and inclement weather.



Estero Boulevard Improvements

This week, reFRESH Estero Boulevard crews are scheduled to perform the following activities on Estero Boulevard. The active work zone is from Lovers Lane to Flamingo Street. Motorists should expect travel lanes on Estero Boulevard to be shifted from Lovers Lane south to Flamingo Street. Two travel lanes will remain open the majority of the time; however, intermittent lane closures may be necessary. Motorists should use caution.

Segment 2 – Lovers Lane to Strandview Avenue/Publix

Lovers Lane to Voorhis Street

- **Donora Boulevard intersection is closed. Voorhis Street intersection is open for full access across Estero Boulevard.**
- **Northbound traffic is shifted to the bay side from Lovers Lane to Voorhis Street. The barrier wall is being installed in the center lane for crews to install the center lane drainage system. Motorists may experience momentary delays while crews move materials for the construction activities.**

Barrier wall will separate the northbound and southbound lanes. Motorists should expect to make U-turns when accessing properties on the opposite side of the road from the travel lane. Motorists exiting side streets and driveways from Lovers Lane to north of Donora and north of Donora to Voorhis Street must make right turns onto Estero Boulevard and then make a U-turn.

Voorhis Street to Bay Mar Drive

- **Northbound traffic is shifted to the bay side from south of Donora Boulevard to Bay Mar Drive.** The barrier wall has been installed in the center lane while crews install the center lane drainage system. Motorists may experience momentary delays while crews move materials for the construction activities.

Barrier wall will separate the northbound and southbound lanes. Motorists should expect to make U-turns when accessing properties on the opposite side of the road

from the travel lane. Motorists exiting side streets and driveways between Voorhis Street and St. Peters Drive must make right turns onto Estero Boulevard and then make a U-turn.

Connecticut Street/Andre Mar Drive – Crews installed a **temporary** pedestrian crosswalk between Connecticut Street and Andre Mar Drive.

Hibiscus Drive to Strandview Avenue

- Crews will place and grade base rock to rebuild the new northbound lane and intersections and form and pour sidewalk and curb on the bay side. Flaggers will assist motorists entering and exiting bay side streets. This work will progress from Hibiscus Drive toward Strandview Avenue.

Segment 3 and 4 – Strandview Avenue/Publix to Albatross Street

reFRESH Estero Boulevard crews are installing the new sanitary sewer force main on the bay side of Estero Boulevard.

Strandview Avenue to Bayland Road – Northbound traffic is shifted to the center lane.

Sterling Avenue to Lanark Avenue – Northbound traffic is shifted to the center lane.

Lanark Avenue to Flamingo Street – Northbound traffic is currently shifted to the center lane. Crews are expected to apply pavement striping and shift the northbound traffic to the bay side lane by the end of the week.

Curlew Street – Crews will restore the work area at this location.



Estero Boulevard Waterline Construction

Phase 2 – Side Streets

Contractors for the Town of Fort Myers Beach are installing new water main and storm drainage on the following side streets:

Donora Boulevard – Completed

Eucalyptus Court – Completed

Jefferson Street – Completed

Connecticut Street – Completed

Bay Mar Drive – Completed

Hercules Drive – Completed

Bayview Avenue – Completed

Bay Road (including Nature View Court) – Completed

Phase 2 side streets will soon be completed, and the crews are working on restoration and punch list items. If you see anything near your home or business that you think was not completed, please report it as soon as possible to Cella Molnar & Associates at 239-337-1071 or email to kmolnar@cella.cc.

Phase 3A – Madera Road to Lanark Avenue

reFRESH Waterlines crews are installing water main on both sides of Estero Boulevard and installing connections to side streets.

Bayland Road to Sterling Avenue

North and south bound travel lanes have been shifted toward the bay side of Estero Boulevard in preparation for Waterlines crews to begin installing the 10” and 16” water main on the beach side starting at Lazy Way and moving north toward Avenida Pescadora.

- Monday, October 15, crews will drill underground to install waterline under Estero Boulevard at Lazy Way.
- Tuesday, October 16, crews will drill underground to install waterline under Estero Boulevard at Dakota Avenue.
- Crews will install dewatering pipes along the beach side of the road. Ramps over the dewatering pipe will be installed at beach side driveways.
- The process of installing the water mains requires the use of pumps to remove water from the trench. The pumps will need to run 24 hours per day and can be noisy. The contractor will make every effort to place the pumps in areas that are least intrusive to properties; however, the location of these pumps will be determined by construction activities and may not be adjustable. The pumps will move as the pipe installation progresses.

One-way alternating flagging may be necessary due to the narrow right-of-way (50’) in the section from Lazy Way to Avenida Pescadora. We will provide more information on flagging in the future.

Sterling Avenue – Beginning Monday, October 15, crews are scheduled to install water main on the north side of Sterling Avenue from Estero Boulevard to 175 Sterling Avenue.