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Lee County has contracted with Johnson Engineering to prepare plans to widen Corkscrew Road from Ben Hill Griffin Parkway to Alico Road, a distance of 4.4 miles. Corkscrew Road is a two-lane east-west arterial. The Lee County Metropolitan Planning Organization's Long Range Transportation Plan has identified the widening of Corkscrew Road from Ben Hill Griffin Parkway to Alico Road from two to four lanes as a priority. The design of the four-lane facility will consist of two phases, Ben Hill Griffin Parkway to Bella Terra Boulevard and Bella Terra Boulevard to Alico Road.

The Florida Department of Transportation is developing plans for turn lane additions to the I-75/Corkscrew Interchange in 2019 and is conducting an I-75 corridor Project Development & Environment Study. In addition to the various planned transportation improvements in the area, there are also multiple private developments in various stages of planning and construction along the Corkscrew corridor. The Lee County School District and the Village of Estero currently have facilities located within the corridor, along with Pinewoods Elementary School and Estero Fire Station No. 44.

The goals for this project include:

- To construct a four-lane facility from Ben Hill Griffin Boulevard to Alico Road and to determine what intersection improvements are required for the existing and planned developments.
- Construct the Phase 1 facility within the County's existing right-of-way. Right-of-way acquisition will be required for Phase 2.
- To consider upcoming public transportation and utility improvements and private development in the corridor and fully integrate those with the project.
- Maximize opportunities to provide accommodation for pedestrian and bicycle users.

Public involvement is a very important part of the Corkscrew Road Design Project because the success of any transportation action depends on a successful public outreach effort. Lee County will provide project information in ways that are informative, easy to understand and use, and easily accessible. Lee County will share information on this website, distribute project newsletters and fact sheets, make presentations to small groups, organizations, and local governments. Public meetings will be held. To sign up for emails concerning the project, please visit www.CorkscrewRoadWidening.com.



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