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What is the 23rd Street Flyover Project?

The 23rd Street Flyover project will elevate U.S. 98 over 23rd Street, Collegiate Drive, Seaport Drive, and the Bay Line Railroad. These improvements will provide continuous movement along U.S. 98 as well as U.S. 98 and 23rd Street.

The \$67.9 million project is one mile in length, from the east end of the Hathaway Bridge to west of Michigan Avenue. Traffic on U.S. 98 will be maintained during construction, including access to driveways and business entrances. Construction is scheduled to be completed fall 2019.

Explain the Project Improvements

- The 23rd Street Flyover will improve safety, commerce, reduce travel delays, and allow better access to Port Panama City, Gulf Coast State College, and Florida State University Panama City.
- The entrance to Port Panama City will be widened to accommodate truck traffic.
- Additional improvements include bicycle lanes, sidewalks, drainage, stormwater treatment facilities, enhanced intelligent transportation systems, signalization upgrades, utility relocation, lighting, new signage, and minor side road improvements.

How Will My Commute Be Affected?

If you want to: Travel south on 23rd Street and turn east on U.S. 98 (15th Street)

Travelers will go west to go east; however they will not incur traffic signals. Designated lanes beginning on 23rd Street will guide vehicles to travel west and loop under the flyover and then eastbound and fly over the rail road on U.S. 98.

Travel south on 23rd Street and turn west on U.S. 98

Travelers heading south on 23rd Street will seamlessly travel west in the designated traveling lanes and, in effect, fly over Collegiate Drive and Seaport Drive without stopping as traffic flows continuously onto the Hathaway Bridge.

Travel east from the Hathaway Bridge on U.S. 98 and turn north on 23rd Street

Traffic will flow in designated travel lanes without having to stop because of the ramp systems. In effect, travelers traveling east on the Hathaway Bridge will fly over the traffic light at Collegiate Drive and Seaport Drive and continue traveling in designated lanes that merge onto 23rd Street.

Travel west on U.S. 98 and turn north on 23rd Street

Traffic will move in designated travel lanes without needing to stop. The travel lanes will fly over the rail road tracks and the U.S. 98 and 23rd Street intersection, continuing westbound. Upon passing this

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intersection, vehicles remain in their respective travel lanes and loop east where designated lanes guide traffic onto 23rd Street north.

Travel east or west on U.S. 98 from Moylan Road to Michigan Avenue

Traffic will flow freely east and should make motorists happy. Travelers will not encounter traffic signals when traveling eastbound on U.S. 98 between Moylan Road in Panama City Beach and Michigan Avenue in Panama City. Once eastbound on the Hathaway Bridge, drivers will fly over the intersection at Collegiate Drive and Seaport Drive, and continue flying over the U.S. 98 and 23rd Street intersection, and train tracks. The first traffic signal drivers come upon is located at Michigan Avenue.

Traveling westbound on U.S. 98 over the Hathaway Bridge, drivers will fly over the same intersections (U.S. 98 and 23rd Street, and Collegiate Drive and Seaport Drive) without having to stop for traffic signals until arriving at Woodlawn Drive and Thomas Drive in Panama City Beach.

How do I find out more about the project?

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