Project Description

Pinellas County is conducting a Project Development & Environment (PD&E) study for the rehabilitation or replacement of the existing San Martin Bridge over Riviera Bay. The limits of the bridge study are from Tallahassee Drive to Weedon Drive in St. Petersburg, Florida. A second component of the project is to evaluate trail enhancements from Macoma Drive to Gandy Boulevard.

Bridge Alternatives

Over the last year, the study team conducted a preliminary analysis of the rehabilitation and replacement alternatives. The results of the analysis and input from the July 2015 Kick-off Open House were used to develop three replacement alternatives for the San Martin Bridge. Detailed analyses of the following alternatives will be presented at the Public Alternatives Workshop:

- No Build Alternative
- Left-shifted (West) Alternative - New fixed bridge shifted to the left (west) of the existing bridge.
- Centered Alternative - New fixed bridge on the same alignment as the existing bridge.
- Right-shifted (East) Alternative - New fixed bridge shifted to the right (east) of the existing bridge.

Trail Alternatives

Alternatives for the extension of the North Bay Trail from Macoma Drive to Gandy Boulevard will also be presented as follows:

- Left (West) Trail Alignment
- Right (East) Trail Alignment
- Hybrid Trail Alignment - Right (East) Trail Alignment from Macoma Drive to just north of Weedon Drive then Left (West) Trail Alignment from north of Weedon Drive to Gandy Boulevard.

Project Schedule

PD&E Study
- Kick-off Open House July 2015
- Public Alternatives Workshop July 2016
- Study Complete Summer 2017

Design Phase
- 2017-2018
- Construction* 2019-2020

*Dependent on availability of grant funding, which is currently undetermined.

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