



# 2026 OUTSTANDING PROJECT AWARDS

## I-75 AT US 301 INTERCHANGE DESIGN-BUILD

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**FDOT District One**



**Project Leadership:**

**Design PM:**

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**Construction PM:**

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**CEI Consultant:**

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**Contractor:**

AJAX - Leware JV



The Florida Department of Transportation, District 1, I-75 at US 301 Interchange Design-Build project demonstrates effective collaboration to modernize a critical regional gateway. The project widens I-75, adds auxiliary lanes from SR 64, reconstructs US 301 intersections, and delivers new Manatee River ramp bridges designed for the ultimate 10-lane configuration. This coordinated delivery advanced complex construction while maintaining traffic and positioning the corridor for long-term performance, extending reliable operations well beyond 2050.