

LA 45 (Barataria Boulevard) widening project (August 2009)

Up to \$7 million was recently appropriated to complete the widening of LA 45 (Barataria Boulevard) from Lapalco Boulevard to Ames Boulevard). This project will include the construction of a northbound and southbound third lane in the existing median. Preliminary design work indicates that there will be three lanes southbound to the Ames Boulevard intersection and three lanes northbound with the third lane beginning at the LA 3134 intersection. The project will also include some drainage improvements in the southbound lanes between LA 3134 and Ames Boulevard along with the modifications to the existing traffic signals to accommodate the widening. It is expected that this work will begin in the next 12 to 18 months.