



## TRANSPORTATION SERVICES DIVISION

The **Traffic Operations and Alternative Transportation Modes Department** completed phase one of the computerized traffic signal system and finished 90 percent of the control center to monitor the new system. The **Landscape Operations Section** received approval in April 2003 of the Collier County Landscape Beautification Master Plan.

In addition, Collier Area Transit (CAT) transported more than 433,000 passengers. Bus shelters were installed along the purple route and are being installed along the orange and green routes.

The **Transportation Engineering and Construction Management (TECM) Department** in coordination with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) designed the Davis Boulevard improvement project at Collier Boulevard. Also, the department completed in 2003 two major roadway

to 66th Street SW and 60th Street SW to Santa Barbara Boulevard, Golden Gate Parkway/Airport Road intersection improvements, Immokalee Road from U.S. 41 to I-75, Rattlesnake Hammock Road from Polly Avenue to Collier Boulevard, and Vanderbilt Beach Road from Airport Road to Collier Boulevard.

**Transportation Operations, Development Review and Right-of-Way Permitting** staff reviewed 644 site development plans and attended 370 pre-application meetings. The **Right-of-Way Permitting and Inspection Section** issued more than 2,100 permits for use of county rights of way and followed up with about 3,400 site visits and inspections. Staff also issued 114 permits for use of the FDOT rights of way followed by 1,600 site visits and inspections.

Naples which is projected to cost about \$500,000 and the Florida Specialties Ditch Enclosure Project in Immokalee at a projected cost of \$800,000.

The **Road Maintenance Section** overlaid more than 70 center lane miles of asphalt roads and more than 1,514 linear feet of asphalt sidewalk. Staff also converted seven (7) miles of lime-rock roads to asphalt and 2.6 center lane miles of old paved roads to asphalt. In addition, staff continued to maintain 1,353 miles of roadway.

Crews chemically treated more than 4,250 acres for noxious weeds and plants as part of aquatic vegetation control, mechanically cleaned 113 acres of ditches/canals, and installed 240 linear feet of drainage pipes.

# ON THE ROAD TO PROGRESS

projects: Livingston Road from Immokalee Road to the Lee County line and the Immokalee Road/Interstate 75 interchange which included widening the existing I-75 ramps and underpass, and making improvements to the Northbrooke Drive/Immokalee Road intersection.

Livingston Road construction from Pine Ridge Road to Immokalee Road was also under way in 2003 with the entire Livingston corridor from Radio Road to the Lee County line expected to be completed by the end of 2004. Work also proceeded on construction of Immokalee Road from Collier Boulevard to 43rd Avenue NE, Goodlette-Frank Road from Pine Ridge to Vanderbilt Beach Road, the Lakeland Avenue Bridge between Immokalee and Piper Boulevard, and Transfer Road connections to South Horseshoe Drive. The cost of road construction projects in Collier County in 2003 was about \$70 million.

**Design Engineering Section** staff has eight other projects in various stages of design and expects to move to construction six of them, including Golden Gate Parkway from Livingston

The **Transportation Planning Department** continued work on Project Development and Environment (PD&E) studies, development of the transportation concurrency system, and updating of impact fees based on Consumer Price Index (CPI) and land value increases.

Staff also reviewed more than 500 site development plans, plats, vacations, variances, Planned Unit Developments (PUD), Developments of Regional Impact (DRI), comprehensive planning amendments and conditional uses. The Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO) was moved in 2003 to this department.

The **Transportation Road Maintenance Department** now includes the **Stormwater Management Section** to better coordinate the operation, maintenance, and capital project design of both the secondary and tertiary stormwater drainage systems. The section completed the Lake Kelly Outfall Ditch Project prior to the rainy season and within budget at a cost of \$270,600.

Plans progressed for the Palm Street Outfall Project in East