



LEGACY TRAIL EXTENSION

Are there environmental issues along the land for the Legacy Trail extension?

Environmental contaminants are known to exist in railroad corridors. The Legacy Trail Feasibility Study anticipated their occurrence and planned for them. During the due diligence period of the acquisition, the seller was required to complete Phase 1 and Phase 2 Environmental Site Assessments. These have been completed and submitted to Sarasota County. They will be reviewed by county staff and the project engineer to determine the appropriate remediation. In addition, the contract with the Trust for Public Land sets forth requirements for managing the contaminants.

Will the extension affect homeowners' private property?

Numerous citizens have contacted Sarasota County regarding reports the county will be taking private property to build the Legacy Trail extension. The county entered into a contract to purchase the land formerly used as a railroad corridor. Please be assured that the county fully expects to complete the Legacy Trail within the purchased corridor.