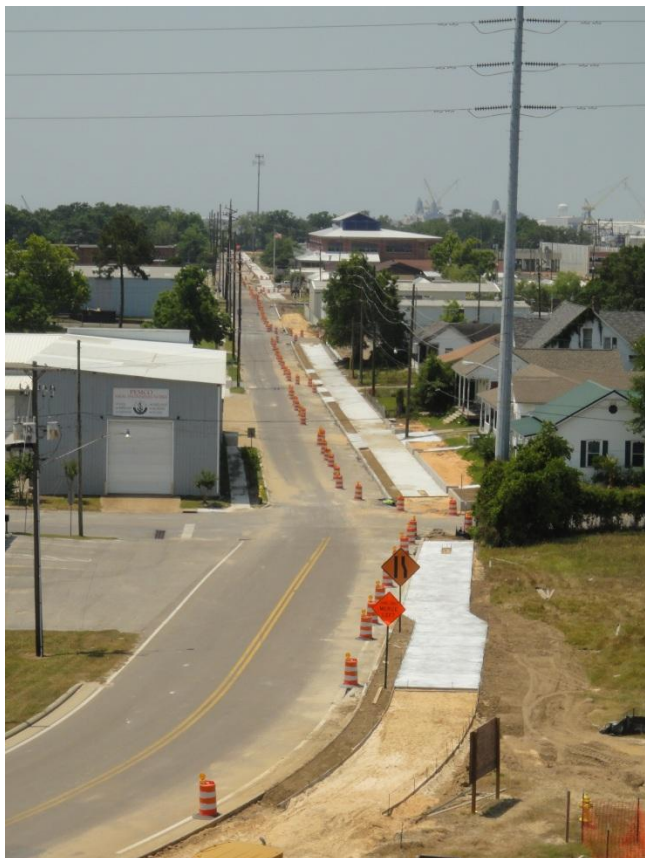


Historic Pathways Project

The Pascagoula Historic Pathways project is shown here, on the west side of Frederic Street. (Photo is looking south) The project provides a 10' multi-purpose pathway for pedestrians, bicyclists, skaters, etc., to travel between several historic areas of town, including the Orange Street historic district, the Front



Street homes, the Train Depot, and others. In the bottom of the picture is the developing "Lighthouse Park" which will include two new boat launches, piers, parking, a gazebo, and pathway access to the newly relocated Round Island Lighthouse as well as an environmental education trail that is planned under and north of the high rise bridge. Toward the top of the picture, you can see the new NOAA office building as well as the new public parking garage that will support private development immediately on the riverfront. Beyond those buildings is Ingalls Shipbuilding, the largest employer in the State of Mississippi.

The Historic Pathways project will continue to the east along Dupont, and north along Canty, to the downtown Pascagoula area and around the County Services Complex building, currently under construction, greatly improving pedestrian access to the whole area. The path passes directly adjacent to the retail cottage village, "Anchor Square", scheduled to open later this summer. Sidewalk construction included in the Riverfront Redevelopment project will provide public access to the riverfront from this pathway as well. As the sidewalk construction on Frederic wraps up, look for the railroad crossing to be converted to 2-way traffic, Frederic Street to receive new pavement, and new paint striping from one end to the other.