Buses Make the Jump!

Pilot Testing for Bus Queue Jump Lanes at State Road 7 and Prospect Road

- New bus-only traffic signal
- · Buses get the "go" first
- Obey traffic signals

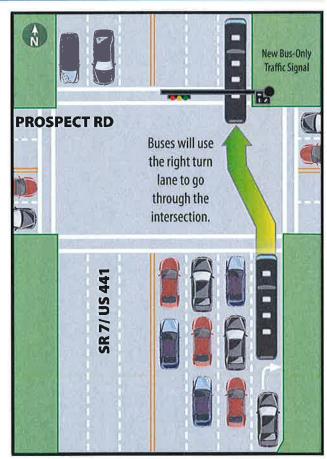
This Fall (2012), Broward County and the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will implement a pilot project at the intersection of State Road 7 and Prospect Road in North Lauderdale.

Buses traveling north on State Road 7 will use the northbound right-turn lane at Prospect Road to by-pass cars waiting for the green light and "jump" out in front of the line of vehicles. Drivers will continue to have a normal red light, while buses get a separate "go" signal. Approximately 4 to 8 seconds later, northbound traffic will receive the usual green light and proceed through the intersection. Drivers should continue to follow standard traffic laws and always be aware of their surroundings.

This pilot project will run for 2 weeks to allow state and county staff to collect data and assess the benefits of this technology.

Purpose

The purpose of this pilot test is to introduce a new traffic signal for buses in order to reduce bus delay, deliver a more reliable service and improve the flow of traffic.



Example of how buses traveling North-bound on State Road 7 will now be able to "jump" the traffic queue.



Illustration of new bus-only signal.

