



To meet the long-term water needs of this area, Tampa Bay Water is building a new South Hillsborough Pipeline that will carry up to 65 million gallons per day of additional drinking water to the fast-growing southern Hillsborough County service area.

## South Hillsborough Pipeline

The new South Hillsborough Pipeline will carry up to an additional 65 million gallons per day (mgd) of water to Hillsborough County's southern service area when complete in 2028. The pipeline will start at Tampa Bay Water's Tampa Bay Regional Surface Water Treatment Plant in Brandon, connect to Hillsborough County's Lithia Water Treatment Plant and end at the County's new connection point at Balm Riverview and Balm roads. The pipeline will provide redundancy between the Tampa Bay Regional Surface Water Treatment Plant in Brandon and Hillsborough County's Lithia Water Treatment Plant.

Tampa Bay Water's engineering consultants analyzed a total of 10 routes (five northern segments and five southern segments), which resulted in a shortlist of three top-ranked consolidated routes. The routes were evaluated against 13 selection criteria, which included non-cost factors such as public inconvenience, safety, environmental impacts and permitting, as well as project cost.

The next project phase will be for Tampa Bay Water's consulting engineers to complete the detailed design for the pipeline. Tampa Bay Water has received

\$4.5 million in co-funding from the Southwest Florida Water Management District for preliminary design and will apply for additional funds in fiscal year 2024 and beyond.



### Fast Facts

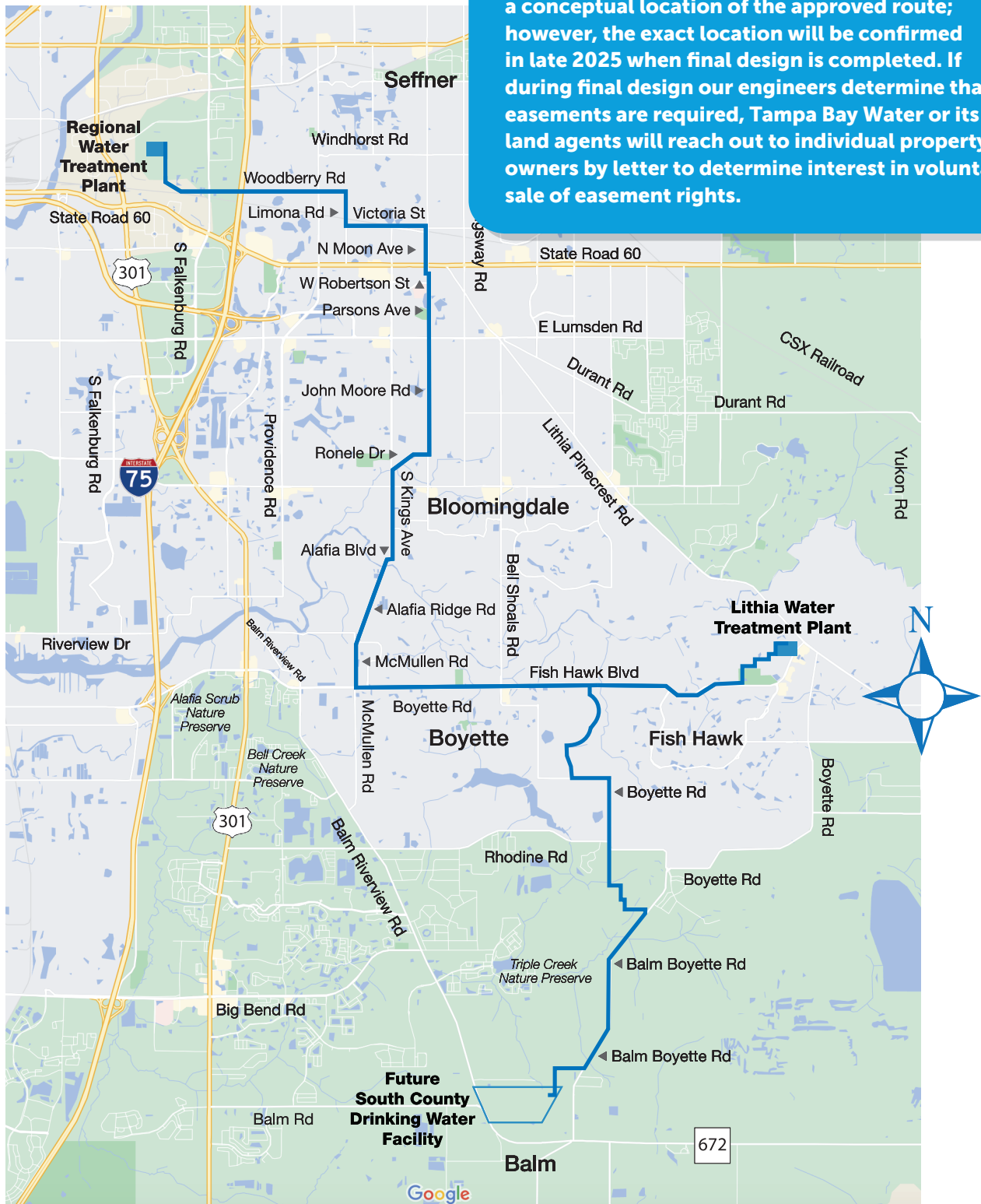
- 26 miles long, up to 72 inches in diameter
- Cost: \$417 million; up to \$66.2 million to be funded by Hillsborough County
- Segment A route approved Sept. 19, 2022
- Segment B route approved Jan. 23, 2023

### Pipeline Schedule

- Construction bidding: late 2024
- Identification of properties to be acquired: through summer 2025
- Final design complete: late 2025
- Construction anticipated start: late 2025 / early 2026
- Construction complete: late 2028

# South Hillsborough Pipeline Map

**Note:** The 30% design plans for segments A and B are complete and available from Tampa Bay Water's Records department. These reports offer a conceptual location of the approved route; however, the exact location will be confirmed in late 2025 when final design is completed. If during final design our engineers determine that easements are required, Tampa Bay Water or its land agents will reach out to individual property owners by letter to determine interest in voluntary sale of easement rights.



## For More Information

Tampa Bay Water provides wholesale water to the public utility systems of Hillsborough, Pasco and Pinellas counties, as well as the cities of New Port Richey, St. Petersburg and Tampa. Visit [TampaBayWater.org/SHP](https://TampaBayWater.org/SHP) for information and project updates. You may also opt in to receive notices by sending an email to [projectinfo@tampabaywater.org](mailto:projectinfo@tampabaywater.org) or by calling (813) 486-0361.