



## PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE

# CITRUS GROVE ROAD

### REQUEST

**\$14.6**  
MILLION

\$14.6 million for construction of Phase I and Phase II of Citrus Grove Road.

### ANALYSIS:

- Citrus Grove Road will provide a major east west connection to the Florida Turnpike Interchange, with scheduled completion set for 2017.
- The project is currently funded for both engineering and right-of-way expenses.

### BACKGROUND:

The Citrus Grove Road proposed improvement project is within the City of Minneola and unincorporated Lake County. The roadway improvement will provide a major east west connection to the Florida Turnpike Interchange which has been awarded a design/build contract and is scheduled to be completed in mid-year 2017. Citrus Grove Road is an existing two lane substandard roadway, which will be improved to a four lane urban designed arterial road. The project length is approximately 2.3 miles.

This project will improve traffic circulation for this area of Lake County, and will support a regionally significant employment center in south Lake County. This project will connect U.S. Highway 27 to the soon-to-be-constructed Florida Turnpike Minneola Interchange. There are no other viable east/west alternatives for U.S. Highway 27 traffic to connect to the Florida Turnpike. The Minneola Interchange project is a vital economic development project for Lake County and the Central Florida region. The future development adjacent to this interchange has the potential to create of 7,400 direct and indirect jobs and over \$1 billion of economic impact for the region at its completion.

The project is currently funded for both engineering and right-of-way expenses. The remaining needs of the project are phase I construction funding in the amount of \$4.7 million, and phase II construction funding in the amount of \$9.9 million.

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