



LAKE~SUMTER MPO PROJECT UPDATES – February 2019

- **US 301 Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study (Sumter County)**

US 301 is being studied from SR 44 in Wildwood south to C-470 (west) in Sumterville. The study will lead to specific operational improvements and design improvements to the interchange of US 301 and Florida's Turnpike and to the intersection of US 301 and SR 44. The study is also examining the concept of a new alignment east and south of Coleman. The planning effort is being coordinated with other Sumter County projects including the I-75/CR 514 proposed interchange and the C-470 study. Public Alternatives Meeting #2 was held in May. A public hearing on the recommended alternatives will be held in summer 2018. The preferred design alternative was presented for public comments at the Final Public Hearing in December. At the end of the study in spring 2019, a recommended design alternative and all engineering and environmental reports will be finalized. The project is funded for the design phase in FY 2020/21.

For More information please visit the Project Website: [US301 Sumter.com](http://US301.Sumter.com)

- **I-75/CR 514 PD&E Study (Sumter County near Coleman)**

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), District 5 has initiated a Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study to evaluate a new interchange near the Interstate 75 (I-75) at County Road (C.R.) 514 (Warm Springs Avenue) overpass. The project area is located approximately 4.0 miles south of the I-75 and Florida Turnpike interchange and approximately 3.5 miles north of the I-75 at C.R. 470 interchange in Sumter County. The project limits extend north and south along I-75 at C.R. 514 and along C.R. 514 from 0.5 mile west of I-75 east 0.75 mile to the C.R. 525 Extension. C.R. 514 is a two-lane, undivided, local roadway that crosses over I-75 at the project location.

Project webpage: [I75 @ CR 514 Project Website](#)

- **C-470 PD&E Study**

FDOT is nearing completion of a Project Development and Environment Study for C-470 in Sumter County east into Lake County across Florida's Turnpike. The study is examining future needs for the roadway through 2040. The study is also part of an initiative to have 470 in both counties designated as a state road from I-75 in Sumter County east to US 27 in Lake County. The study is now in final documentation phase and concludes this month. The project is funded for the design phase in FY 2019/20.

Project webpage: [CR470 Project Website](#)

- **Wekiva Parkway Project**

The Central Florida Expressway Authority is now constructing all remaining segments in Orange County and new SR 453 from Orange County into Lake County from SR 429 to SR 46. The FDOT has moved into the construction phase for segments of SR 46, SR 429, and CR 46A in Lake County.



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Project Website: [Wekiva Parkway](#)

- **Trails: Central Florida C2C Trail and Wekiva Trail**

Because of the Central Florida MPO Alliance prioritization of Regional Trails, almost all phases of the C2C Trail have received advancements of funding from FDOT for each needed phase in both counties. The FDOT recently announced forthcoming programming of the subsequent phases of each segment of the C2C. Only the segment through downtown Groveland is absent from the FDOT Work Program. Meanwhile, the Wekiva Trail has two segments out of four segments committed for construction to be complete by 2019/20. Segment 2 is now in design and Segment 1 is seeking ROW funding. Project website: [Florida SUNTrail Website](#)

- **Lake-Orange Parkway & Schofield Road Concepts (US 27 to SR 429)**

In March 2018, the Central Florida Expressway Authority (CFX) began a Feasibility, Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study for the Lake/Orange County Connector. The study takes a fresh look at previously studied alignment alternatives seeking to promote regional connectivity via a limited access facility between US 27 in south Lake County and SR 429 in west Orange County. The study will also determine if such a project would be viable and fundable in accordance with CFX policies and procedures.

Project website: <https://www.cfxway.com/agency-information/plans-studies/project-studies/lake-orange-connector-study/>

- **SR 50 PD&E Study**

The State Road (S.R.) 50 Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study is being conducted to evaluate transportation improvements to the approximately 20 mile section of S.R. 50 between U.S. 301 in Hernando County to County Road (C.R.) 33 in Lake County. The PD&E study is specifically looking at options such as widening to four-lanes, the addition of passing lanes, or a combination of these improvements. The PD&E study started in January 2017 and is in the final phase with completion Spring 2019. The Design phase is funded and will begin FY 2021/22.

Project website: [SR 50 PD&E](#)

- **Complete Streets Projects**

The MPO is managing two Complete Streets projects, East Ave. in Clermont and US 301 in Wildwood. Both projects are underway and will be completed by the end of 2019.