# **S.R. 50 PD&E STUDY** FROM U.S. 301 TO C.R. 33

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

We look forward to engaging the community in our public outreach process. The following events will be held to provide a forum for public and agency input:



ALTERNATIVES PUBLIC MEETING - July 2017 PUBLIC HEARING - November 2018



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### **NEWSLETTER #3**

Financial Project Identification (FPID) No.: 435859-1 Efficient Transportation Decision Making (ETDM) 14269

#### PUBLIC HEARINGS ANNOUNCEMENT

The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) will hold two public hearings for the State Road (S.R.) 50 Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study. The PD&E Study recommends the widening of S.R. 50 to four lanes from U.S. 301 in Hernando County to County Road (C.R.) 33 in Lake County, a distance of 20 miles. The need for these improvements includes roadway capacity and safety. For convenience purposes, the FDOT has scheduled these hearings on the following dates/times:

**Public Hearing #1** Tuesday, Nov. 27, 2018

Mascotte Civic Center 121 N Sunset Ave., Mascotte, FL 34753

From 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. From 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

**Public Hearing #2** Thursday, Nov. 29, 2018

Ridge Manor Community Center 34240 Cortez Blvd., Dade City, FL 33523



A PD&E study blends engineering evaluations, environmental analysis and public involvement. It is the FDOT's process to adhere to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and state requirements. The hearings, which will contain the same information at each event, will begin as an open house format at 5:30 p.m. A formal presentation will be given at 6:30 p.m., followed by a public comment period. Members of the study team will be available to answer questions and obtain input from attendees. A certified court reporter will also be present to collect and document comments, and will prepare a verbatim transcript of the presentation for the project record.

This newsletter is being sent to all property owners within at least 300 feet of either side of the proposed project and to other public officials, regulatory agencies, organizations, and individuals interested in the project.

These public hearings are being conducted to give interested persons an opportunity to express their views concerning the location, conceptual design, and social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed improvements. The project consists of roadway widening, intersection improvements, and enhanced pedestrian and bicycle features. Draft project documents will be available for public review from Nov. 6, 2018 to Dec. 10, 2018 at the locations listed below and on the project website (cflroads.com; search by project number 435859-1 to access the project webpage).

**City of Mascotte** 100 E Myers Blvd. Mascotte, FL 34753

**East Hernando Branch Library** 6457 Windmere Road Brooksville, FL 34602

Persons wishing to submit written statements, in place of or in addition to oral statements, may do so at the hearing or by sending them to Ms. Lorena Cucek, FDOT project manager, 719 S. Woodland Blvd., MS 501, DeLand, FL 32730 or by e-mail to lorena.cucek@ dot.state.fl.us. All statements postmarked on or before Monday, Nov. 12, 2018 will become a part of the public hearing record.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons wishing to express their concerns relative to FDOT compliance with Title VI may do so by contacting Jennifer Smith, FDOT District Five Title VI Coordinator, by email at <a href="mailto:Jennifer.Smith2@dot.state.fl.us">Jennifer.Smith2@dot.state.fl.us</a>.

Persons with disabilities who require accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Ms. Lorena Cucek, FDOT project manager, by phone at 386-943-5392, or via email at lorena.cucek@ dot.state.fl.us at least seven (7) days prior to the hearings. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact us by using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

If you have questions about the project or public hearings, please contact the project manager, Ms. Lorena Cucek whose contact information is above. You may also visit the project website at cflroads.com, and search by the project number 435859-1.

Las personas con discapacidades que requieran ajustes especiales bajo la Ley sobre Estadounidenses con Discapacidades, o personas que requieran servicios de traducción (libre de costo) deben comunicarse con la Sra. Cucek, Gerente de Proyecto del Departamento de Transporte de la Florida, por teléfono al 386-943-5392 o por correo electrónico a Lorena.Cucek@dot.state. fl.us por lo menos con siete (7) días de anticipación.

#### CONTACT

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