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Public Hearing for proposed Interchange at Stirling Road and Florida's Turnpike

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (October 8, 2007) – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, has scheduled a public hearing to advise the public of the no build proposal for the recently proposed interchange at Stirling Road (Milepost 51) on the Turnpike, in Broward County.

The public hearing, which is part of the ongoing Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study, will be held on Thursday, October 11, 2007, at the Broward County Public Library, located at 3151 Stirling Road, in Hollywood. Project information will be informally displayed from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. with the formal portion of the public hearing beginning at 7:00 p.m. In the event that severe weather or other unforeseen conditions cause the hearing to be postponed, it will be held on the alternate date of October 25, 2007 at the same time and location.

The project evaluated the construction of a new interchange at the Florida's Turnpike Mainline and Stirling Road in Broward County. Based on the impacts and cost associated with the construction of the interchange, the No-Build Alternative is the preferred option for this project. This hearing is being conducted to afford interested persons the opportunity to express their views concerning the preliminary design, social, economic, and environmental effects of the proposed new Turnpike interchange at Stirling Road.

Written comments may be submitted at the hearing or mailed to Mr. Henry Pinzon, P.E., Florida's Turnpike Enterprise, P.O. Box 613069, Ocoee, Florida 34761-3069 or to henry.pinzon@dot.state.fl.us. Written comments must be postmarked no later than October 22, 2007 to be included in the public hearing record.