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Public Kickoff Open House Notice

Florida's Turnpike Enterprise to Host Public Kickoff Open House for Florida's Turnpike (SR 91) Widening from south of SR 408 to SR 50, Project Development and Environment Study in Orange County

Ocoee, Fla. – The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida's Turnpike Enterprise (FTE) will hold a Public Kickoff Open House for the Project Development and Environment (PD&E) Study to evaluate widening Florida's Turnpike (SR 91) from south of SR 408 to SR 50 (Milepost 263 to 273), Financial Project Identification Number 444007-1, Efficient Transportation Decision Making Number 14378. As part of the study, all interchanges within the project limits and the need for new interchanges will be evaluated.

The open house will be held on Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at the Ocoee Lakeshore Center, 125 North Lakeshore Drive, Ocoee, FL 34761. The open house will be conducted informally from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. If the open house cannot be held on March 10, 2020, due to severe weather or unforeseen conditions, it will be held on the alternate date of April 2, 2020 at the same time and place. This informal open house will give interested persons an opportunity to review preliminary project information, provide written comments and speak with project staff on a one-on-one basis. Exhibits that describe the PD&E Study process, study area and need for the proposed improvements will be on display, along with an informational video. Please note there will be no formal presentation.

If you cannot attend in person, please visit the study website at <u>www.Turnpike408to50.com</u>, starting on March 10, 2020, to view an online version of the open house and to provide comments. This online version will be accessible anywhere, anytime, and will provide the same information as the in-person open house.

Public participation is solicited without regard to race, color, national origin, age, sex, religion, disability, or family status. Persons who require special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act or persons who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Rebecca Bolan, Project Manager, by phone at 407-264-3416 or by email at <u>Rebecca.Bolan@dot.state.fl.us</u> at least seven (7) days prior to the open house. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the agency using the Florida Relay Service, 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) or 1-800-955-8770 (Voice).

If you have any questions about the project or the scheduled open house, please contact Rebecca Bolan (contact information above), or Rax Jung by phone at 407-264-3870 or by email at <u>Rax.Jung@dot.state.fl.us</u>.

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