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## **Public Hearing Notice**

Florida's Turnpike Enterprise to Host Public Hearing for the Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study of Orlando South Ultimate Interchange Project in Orange County

Ocoee, Fla. — The Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT), Florida's Turnpike Enterprise (FTE) will hold a Public Hearing for the **Project Development & Environment (PD&E) Study of Orlando South Ultimate Interchange at Florida's Turnpike (SR 91) and Beachline Expressway (SR 528) in Orange County (Financial Project Identification Number 438547-1).** 

The Public Hearing will be held at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, February 16, 2021 with an informal open house. A formal presentation will begin promptly at 6:00 p.m. followed by a public comment period. Those interested may attend in-person at The Florida Hotel and Conference Center, Legacy North and Legacy South Ballrooms, located at 1500 Sand Lake Road, Orlando, FL 32809. Other persons may attend virtually/online via a computer, tablet, smartphone, or by telephone in listen-only mode. All attendees will participate in the same live virtual Public Hearing.

Those interested in attending should visit the project website, <a href="https://www.floridasturnpike.com/orlandosouth.html">www.floridasturnpike.com/orlandosouth.html</a>, to register for the Public Hearing and to select a participation option. \*\*Please note that registration works best in the Google Chrome, Microsoft Edge, or Firefox web browsers.\*\* Once registered, a confirmation email will be sent that includes instructions on how to join the hearing online. To join the hearing by phone in listen-only mode, call 1-415-655-0052 and enter access code 424-246-381.

If you wish to participate in the Public Hearing in person, the Department requests advance registration to help ensure attendees are accommodated safely in accordance with current social distancing guidelines. Please visit the project website at <a href="https://www.floridasturnpike.com/orlandosouth.html">www.floridasturnpike.com/orlandosouth.html</a>, or contact Anil Sharma, P.E., Project Manager (HNTB) at 407-264-3041, or by email at <a href="mail.Sharma@dot.state.fl.us">Anil.Sharma@dot.state.fl.us</a> to register for the in-person option. You should not attend the Public Hearing in person if you are not feeling well.

Persons wishing to submit written or verbal comments may do so at the hearing or may contact the Project Manager using the information provided below. All statements provided, or postmarked, on or before March 8, 2021 will become a part of the Public Hearing record.

Draft project documents are available for public review through March 8, 2021 at the Universal Orlando Foundation Library (UCF Rosen Library), located at 9907 Universal Boulevard, Orlando, FL 32819, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Draft project documents are also available for public review on the project website, <a href="https://www.floridasturnpike.com/orlandosouth.html">www.floridasturnpike.com/orlandosouth.html</a>, and will be available at the in-person location. Project information and updates will also be available on the project's website.

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 who require translation services (free of charge) should contact Anil Sharma at the contact information below, at least seven (7) days prior to the Public Hearing. 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).

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